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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20024

Re: STB Docket No. AB-1043 (Sub-No. 2X)
Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway, Ltd.--
Abandonment Exemption--In Aroostook County, Maine

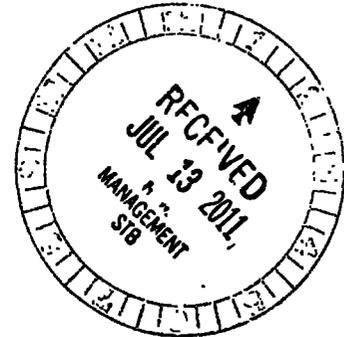
Dear Ms. Brown:

I represent Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway, Ltd. ("MMA"), which filed a petition for exemption in the above-captioned matter on March 26, 2011. The purpose of this letter is to request a technical amendment to the petition.

In the petition, MMA requested authority to abandon a line of railroad that is approximately .4 miles in length and located in Van Buren, Maine. The petition recited the milepost limits of the line as V 23.72 on the northerly end of the line and V 24.12 at the southerly end. Based upon information available at the time the petition was filed, these mileposts were chosen in order to coincide with the boundaries of property to be sold by MMA, after obtaining abandonment authority, to the General Services Administration ("GSA") for a land port of entry facility to be built for the United States Customs and Border Protection Agency.

In anticipation of the approval of the abandonment and the delivery of a deed for the property, a survey has recently been completed. The survey shows that the property required by GSA, which MMA has agreed to convey, actually extends approximately 170 feet north of milepost V 23.72 to milepost V 23.69.

MMA respectfully requests the Board to treat the petition for exemption as being amended so that the northerly end point of the line for which abandonment authority is sought is V 23.69, rather than V 23.72. The requested amendment is technical in nature and will have no impact on the substance of the abandonment. On the other hand,



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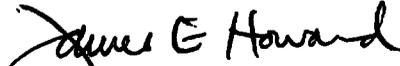
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allowing the amendment is essential in order to enable MMA to convey the property required by GSA.

Please contact me if you have questions or need further information. Thank you very much for your attention to this request.

Very truly yours,


James E. Howard