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Ms. Cynthia Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
Surface Transportation Board
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Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: Environmental Report, Historic Report and Required Certifications for
Docket No. AB-43 (Sub No. 186X)
Illinois Central Railroad Company — Notice of Exemption for Abandonment in
Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi

Dear Ms. Brown:

Illinois Central Railroad Company ("IC") intends to file a Notice of Exemption for the above-referenced proposed abandonment any time on or after July 15, 2013. Enclosed for the above-referenced Abandonment Exemption are the following documents, which are required by 49 C.F.R. Part 1105:

1. An original and ten copies of the Environmental/Historic Report;
2. An original and ten copies of the transmittal letter that accompanied the reports; and
3. An original and ten copies of a certificate demonstrating compliance with the requirements of 49 C.F.R. Part 1105.

Feel free to call me if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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To Whom It May Concern:

Any time on or after July 15, 2013, Illinois Central Railroad Company ("IC") expects to file with the Surface Transportation Board ("STB") a Notice of Exemption seeking authority to abandon a railroad line located between milepost 0.36 and milepost 0.20, a distance of 0.16 miles, in Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi. Enclosed is an Environmental Report and a Historic Report describing the proposed action and any expected environmental and historical effects, as well as a map of the affected area.

We are providing this report so that you may review the information that will form the basis for the STB's independent environmental and historical analysis of this proceeding. If any of the information is misleading or incorrect, if you believe that pertinent information is missing, or if you have any questions about the STB's environmental and historic review process, please contact their Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA), at the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20423-0001, (202) 245-0245, and refer to the above docket number.

IC will file the Environmental Report and Historic Report with the STB on or about June 19, 2013. Because the applicable statutes and regulations impose stringent deadlines for processing this action, your written comments to the STB (with a copy to the undersigned) would be appreciated within three weeks. Your comments will be considered by the STB in evaluating the environmental and historical impact of the contemplated action.

If there are any questions concerning this proposal, please contact the undersigned directly at (708) 332-4381 or by mail at the above address.

Sincerely,

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Docket No. AB-43 (Sub-No. 186X)

ILLINOIS CENTRAL
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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FOR
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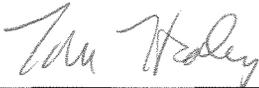
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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH 49 C.F.R. PART 1105

I hereby certify that on June 19, 2013, copies of the Environmental Report and Historic Report for the above-captioned proceeding were served on the agencies listed at 49 C.F.R. § 1105.7(b), all agencies consulted in preparing the reports, and on the Mississippi Department of Archives and History. A service list is attached and incorporated into this certificate as Attachment A. The reports have been sent within the time period specified, as Illinois Central Railroad Company intends to file its Notice of Exemption in the above-captioned matter no earlier than July 15, 2013. All appropriate agencies as listed in 49 C.F.R. § 1105.7(e) have been consulted well in advance of preparing the Environmental Report.

I also certify that a newspaper notice was published on February 28, 2013, in *The Clarion-Ledger*, a newspaper of general circulation in Hinds County, Mississippi. The notice alerted the public to the proposed abandonment, to possible reuse alternatives, and to procedures for participating in the STB proceeding. A copy of the notice is attached to this certificate as Attachment B.

Dated this 19th day of June, 2013.



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PERSONALLY appeared before me, the undersigned notary public in and for Hinds County, Mississippi,

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Abandonment Notice (Post 0.20)

ANN MIDDEKE

an authorized clerk of THE CLARION-LEDGER, a newspaper as defined and prescribed in Sections 13-3-31 and 13-3-32, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, who, being duly sworn, states that the notice, a true copy of which is hereto attached, appeared in the issues of said newspaper as follows:

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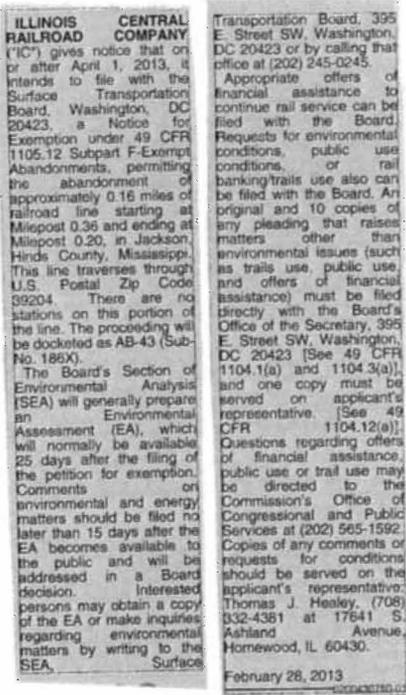
Signed *Ann Middeke*
Authorized Clerk of
The Clarion-Ledger

SWORN to and subscribed before me on 2/28/2013.

Rick Tyler
Notary Public
RICK TYLER

Notary Public State of Mississippi at Large. Bonded thru
Notary Public Underwriters

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BEFORE THE
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DOCKET NO. AB-43 (SUB-NO. 186X)

ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY
-- ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION --
IN JACKSON, HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

ENVIRONMENTAL/HISTORIC REPORT

Illinois Central Railroad Company, ("IC") submits this Environmental/Historic Report in compliance with the reporting requirements of 49 C.F.R. §§1105.7 and 1105.8. Supporting correspondence and certifications are attached. It is the conclusion of this Report that the proposed abandonment, if implemented, will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT - 49 C.F.R. § 1105.7(e)

1. Proposed Action and Alternatives. IC seeks to abandon its line of railroad extending from milepost 0.36 to milepost 0.20 in Jackson, Mississippi, (the "Line"). The Line is situated in Hinds County, Mississippi and extends a total distance of approximately 0.16 miles.

The Line has not been required to serve any customer in many years. This portion of the Line was purchased in 1946 from the Yazoo and Mississippi Railroad Company. There have been no rail shipments of any kind on the Line in the last two years, and no reasonable possibility for the development of new rail traffic exists.

Following abandonment, IC intends to salvage rail, ties and track materials from the Line. There are no bridges or structures along this portion. The grade crossing over South Street and Gallatin Street have previously been removed and repaved.

IC is processing an offer from a manufacturing plant to acquire this portion of land. No other alternatives to the proposed abandonment have been considered. A map showing the location of the Line is attached herein as **Appendix A**.

IC has contacted and requested comments from the District 1 Board of Supervisors. See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix B**. The Board has not responded to our correspondence.

2. Transportation System. IC does not anticipate that existing regional or local transportation systems or patterns will be affected by the proposed abandonment. No rail service is currently provided on the Line. Thus, no traffic will be diverted to other transportation systems or modes as a result of the proposed abandonment. There is no overhead traffic on the Line, and no passenger trains are operated over the Line.

IC has contacted and requested comments from the State of Mississippi Department of Transportation. See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix C**. The Department has not responded to our correspondence.

3. Land Use.

(i) IC does not foresee any inconsistency with regional and/or local land use plans, but has contacted and requested comments from the NOAA/National Geodetic Survey. See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix D**. To date, we have not received a response from NOAA.

(ii) The proposed abandonment lies entirely within the limits of Hinds County, Mississippi. WCL has the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) in Mississippi. See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix E**. No comments have been received to this date.

(iii) IC has contacted and requested comments from the Mississippi Office of Coastal Ecology. The Office responded that if the proposed activities impacted wetlands, these

activities are regulated by the Army Corps of Engineering. IC believes that this track does not lie within a designated Coastal Zone Management Area and, accordingly, the proposed abandonment should not affect any land or water uses in such an area or result in any coastal impacts. See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix F**.

(iv) IC is not aware of any alternative public use under 49 U.S.C. § 10905 for which the right-of-way of this track would be suitable. IC is processing an offer from a manufacturing plant to acquire this property.

4. Energy.

(i) The proposed abandonment will not have any effect on the transportation of energy resources. No energy resource commodities move on the Line, and IC foresees little or no possibility that such on-line traffic would develop in the future.

(ii) The movement and/or recovery of recyclable commodities will not be adversely affected by this abandonment. No such traffic has been handled on this line for many years (if ever), and IC foresees little or no possibility that any online recyclable commodity traffic would develop in the future.

(iii) Abandonment will not result in an increase or decrease in overall energy efficiency. There is no freight traffic on the Line and thus there will be no changes in existing transportation patterns or energy usage as a result of the proposed abandonment.

(iv) Not applicable. Abandonment of the Line will not cause the diversion of more than 1,000 rail carloads per year or an average of 50 rail carloads per mile per year to motor carriers.

5. Air.

(i) Not applicable. Abandonment will not result in (A) a minimum increase in rail traffic of 100% or eight trains per day on any segment of rail line, (B) an increase in rail

yard activity of at least 100%, or (C) an average increase in truck traffic of more than 10% of the average daily traffic or 50 vehicles per day on any road segment.

(ii) Not applicable. Abandonment of the Line will not result in traffic increases which exceed the thresholds specified in 49 C.F.R. § 1105.7(e)(5)(ii)(A), (B) or (C).

(iii) Not applicable. This is an abandonment of a line on which there have been no customers for at least two years and there is no overhead traffic on the line.

6. Noise. Not applicable. As indicated above, none of the thresholds identified in 49 C.F.R. § 1105.7(e)(5)(i) will be exceeded as a result of the abandonment.

7. Safety.

(i) The proposed action will have no adverse effect upon public health or safety. During any salvage operations on the Line, precautions will be taken to ensure public safety.

(ii) Not applicable. To IC's knowledge, no hazardous commodities were ever handled on this Line. Accordingly, the proposed abandonment will have no effect on the transportation of hazardous materials.

(iii) To the best of IC's knowledge, there are no known hazardous waste sites or any hazardous waste materials involved. Therefore, IC believes that its abandonment will not have any adverse impact on this site.

8. Biological Resources.

(i) The Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries & Parks have been contacted and we have requested comments. See correspondence attached as **Appendix G**. No comments have been received to date.

(ii) The Line does not pass through or adjacent to any wildlife sanctuaries or refuges or any national or state parks or forests and, accordingly, none will be adversely affected.

IC has contacted and requested comments from the Mississippi District Park Headquarters. See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix H**. There has been no response to date.

9. Water.

(i) The Army Corps of Engineers has been contacted to determine if the proposed abandonment requires permits under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix I**. The Corps has not responded to date.

IC also believes that removal of the rails will not affect any existing wetlands. In addition, abandonment should not impact any 100-year floodplain if no additional fill is placed in any floodplain.

(ii) The Mississippi Environmental Protection Agency has been contacted and we have requested comments from them. See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix J**. There has been no response to date. IC believes that no permits under section 402 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1342) will be required for the proposed action.

IC has also contacted the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. See correspondence attached herein as **Appendix K**. There has been no response to date.

10. Proposed Mitigation. As no adverse impact is anticipated, IC does not propose any mitigation activities.

HISTORIC REPORT - 49 C.F.R. § 1105.8(d)

1. Map. A map of the Line is attached hereto as **Appendix A**.

2. Description of Line. The line to be abandoned extends from milepost 0.36 to milepost 0.20 in Jackson, Mississippi. The Line is situated in Hinds County, Mississippi and extends a total distance of approximately 0.16 miles.

3. Photographs. There are no photographs of the line since there are no bridges or structures.

4. History of Operations. This portion of the Line was purchased in 1946 from the Yazoo and Mississippi Railroad Company. There have been no rail shipments of any kind on the Line in the last two years, and no reasonable possibility for the development of new rail traffic exists.

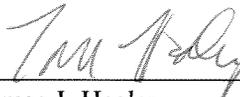
5. Engineering Documents. To the best of IC's knowledge, there are no engineering documents since there are no bridges or structures.

6. Historic Criteria. IC has contacted and given notice of the proposed abandonment to the Historic Preservation Office within Mississippi. See correspondence attached as **Appendix L**. The SHPO has informed IC that they have no objections to the proposed project.

8. Ground Disturbances. IC is unaware of any possibility that archaeological resources may be in the area. Access to the line is generally good.

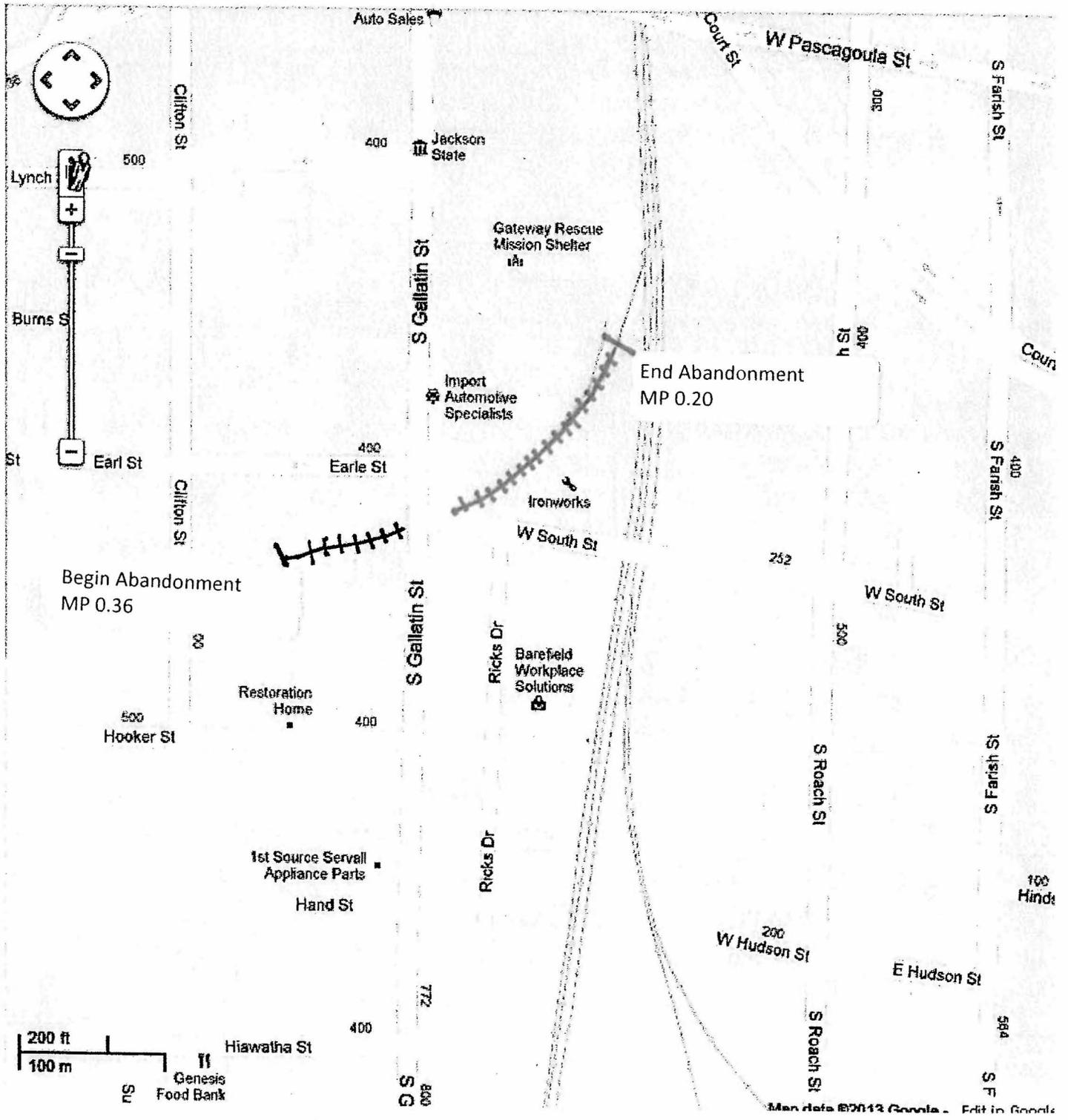
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Appendix A



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Re: Illinois Central Railroad Company Proposed Abandonment in
Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi, Docket No: AB-43 (Sub-No. 186X)

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12. The need for permits under Sections 402 or 404 of the Clean Water Act.

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Thank you for your assistance.

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National Geodetic Survey Information Services
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RE: DMR-130215; Proposed rail line abandonment in Jackson, Hinds County, MS

Dear Mr. Healey:

The Department of Marine Resources in cooperation with other state agencies is responsible under the Mississippi Coastal Program (MCP) for managing the coastal resources of Mississippi. Proposed activities in the coastal area are reviewed to insure that the activities are in compliance with the MCP.

The Department has received a request to review the proposed abandonment of 0.16 miles of railroad line in Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi. Please note that Mississippi Coastal Zone Consistency is only required within the three coastal counties of Jackson, Harrison, and Hancock. However, if the proposed activities will impact wetlands, these are activities that are regulated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on your project.

For more information or questions concerning this correspondence, contact Greg Christodoulou with the Bureau of Wetlands Permitting at (228) 523-4109 or greg.christodoulou@dmr.ms.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Willa Brantley", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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Re: Illinois Central Railroad Company Proposed Abandonment in
Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi, Docket No: AB-43 (Sub-No. 186X)

Dear Sir or Madam:

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Thank you for your assistance. Please call me should you have questions.

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February 6, 2013

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RE: Proposed abandonment of 0.16 miles of railroad line between Milepost 0.36 and Milepost 0.20 in Jackson, MDAH Project Log #01-095-13, Hinds County

Dear Mr. Healey:

We have reviewed your request for a cultural resources assessment, received on January 23, for the above referenced project in accordance with our responsibilities under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and 36 CFR Part 800. After reviewing the information provided, it is our determination that no cultural resources are likely to be affected. Therefore, we have no objection with the proposed undertaking.

Should there be additional work in connection with the project, or any changes in the scope of work, please let us know in order that we may provide you with appropriate comments in compliance with the above referenced regulations.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at (601) 576-6940.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hal Bell".

Hal Bell
Review and Compliance Assistant

FOR: Greg Williamson
Review and Compliance Officer