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Ms. Victoria Rutson
Chief, Office of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

Re: STB Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 483X), BNSF Railway
Company -- Abandonment Exemption -- In Los Angeles
County, California

Dear Ms. Rutson:

On June 14, 2012, BNSF Railway Company filed, with the Surface
Transportation Board, the Environmental and Historic Reports in the
above-referenced proceeding.

Attached please find the additional response we received from the
Office of Historic Preservation, Department of Parks and Recreation.

Sincerely,

Karl Morell
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Enclosure

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Reply To: STB120618A

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Re: Abandonment Exemption, BNSF Railway Company, Milepost 7.95 to Milepost 13.25, Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, CA

Dear Mr. Morell:

You are initiating consultation on behalf of the STB pursuant to 36 CFR 800 regulations implementing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act regarding the above referenced undertaking.

As I presently understand it, the undertaking consists of abandonment of its Rail Freight Service Easement of 5.3 miles of rail line located in Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California beginning at Milepost 7.95 (just north of West 67th Street curblineline to Milepost 13.25 (just south of the existing Metro Green Line structure).

The removal of the track and track materials associated with BNSF's Rail Freight Easement abandonment has been addressed by the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor Project. Please see my letter, May 23, 2011(FTA110222A) with a finding of no adverse effect on historic properties. Your responsibilities under Section 106 of the NHPA are complete.

Thank you for considering historic properties in your planning process. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle C. Messinger of my staff at (916) 445-7005 or e-mail at MMessinger@parks.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Susan K Stratton for

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State Historic Preservation Officer