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**BY E-FILING**

Ms. Cynthia T. Brown  
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**RE: FD 31536, Jackson Cty. Port Auth.-Constr. Exemption-Pascagoula, MS  
(ICC served Aug. 21, 1990); and**

**FD 34134, Jackson Cty. Port Auth. R.R.-Operation Exemption-Jackson  
Cty. Port Auth. (STB served Dec. 5, 2001)**

Dear Ms. Brown:

I am writing on behalf of the Jackson County Port Authority a/k/a Port of Pascagoula ("the Port") in connection with the Board's decision in FD 35994, *Jackson County Port Authority a/k/a Port of Pascagoula-Petition for Declaratory Order*, that was served today. The Board granted the Port's Petition finding it did not become a common carrier railroad by reason of the authority granted in the two decisions cited above because the Port never consummated those transactions. Consistent with the Board's recommendation, the Port formally requests that the Petition filed in FD 31536 and the Notice filed in FD 34134 be withdrawn.

The Port appreciates the Board's attention to these matters.

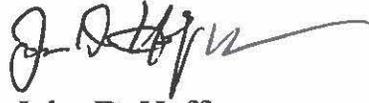
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Sincerely yours,

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John D. Heffner

cc: Mr. Mark McAndrews