

BEFORE THE  
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Docket No. AB-1068 (Sub-No. 1X)

MISSOURI CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY  
- ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION -  
IN CASS, HENRY, JOHNSON, AND PETTIS COUNTIES, MISSOURI

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**MOTION TO EXTEND TIME TO NEGOTIATE INTERIM TRAIL USE**

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources (“MDNR”) hereby requests, and the Missouri Central Railroad Company (“MCRR”) hereby agrees to, an extension of time consisting of an additional 60 days, or until February 28, 2015, for the parties to finalize and close on a trail use agreement applicable to the rail line in the above-referenced abandonment proceeding.<sup>1</sup> Under the decision issued by the Surface Transportation Board (“Board”) on June 18, 2014, the current period for negotiation of interim trail use/rail banking is set to expire on December 30, 2014.

This request for an extension is being made because additional time is needed for MDNR and MCRR to finalize the applicable trail use agreement and then close on the transaction.

Pursuant to 49 CFR § 1002.2(e)(1) and MDNR’s status as a state agency, it is requesting waiver of the \$450.00 filing fee for extension of the period of time to negotiate a trail use agreement.

**FILING FEE WAIVED**

<sup>1</sup> See, e.g., West Michigan Railroad Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Van Buren County, Mich., STB Docket No. AB-1107X, slip op. at 2 (served April 15, 2014) (“Where...the carrier has not consummated the abandonment at the end of the previously imposed negotiating period...and is willing to continue trail use negotiations...the Board retains jurisdiction, and the NITU negotiating period may be extended.”) (citation omitted).

Respectfully submitted,

  
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