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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown, Chief
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Re: Request for 180-day NITU Extension for Negotiations
*Alabama & Florida Railway Co., Inc. – Abandonment Exemption – In Geneva,
Coffee and Covington Counties, Alabama; STB Docket Number AB-1073X*

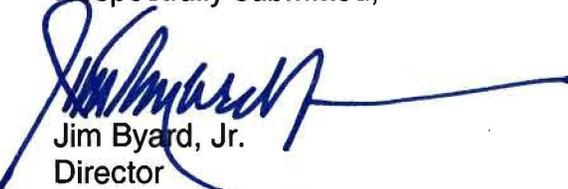
Dear Ms. Brown:

This request is filed by the Alabama Trails Commission, a public entity, hereinafter referred to as the "proponent." The proponent remains engaged in discussions with CSXT toward the desired outcome for all parties, which is an agreement regarding acquisition and trail use of the line by the proponent.

On April 24, 2012, the STB granted the proponent's request to impose interim trail use/rail banking to allow for negotiating the acquisition of the line for trail use expiring October 21, 2012. The proponent hereby requests an additional 180-day period in which to continue negotiations with CSXT. CSXT is amenable to this extension and continued negotiations. Thank you for your consideration.

By my signature below, I certify service of a copy of this statement upon CSXT by U S Mail, postage pre-paid, first class, this 12th day of October, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,


Jim Byard, Jr.
Director

on behalf of the Alabama Trails Commission

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