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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
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Washington, D. C. 20423

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Re: Docket No. AB 1087 (Sub-No. 2X), Grenada Railway LLC—Abandonment
Exemption—in Yalobusha County, Miss.

Dear Ms. Brown:

The Mississippi Transportation Commission is an agency in which the State of Mississippi has vested three elected members with oversight of the State's transportation resources and operations. The Commission is vitally interested in the preservation of railroads and rail corridors throughout the State whenever feasible. The Grenada Railway LLC has petitioned the Surface Transportation Board (the "Board") for authority to abandon the Water Valley Branch railroad line, between Water Valley and Bruce, MS. The Commission would like to explore all alternatives to the proposed abandonment.

The Board's current timetable does not provide sufficient time for filing protests and/or petitions to stay, which are to be filed with the Board on or before February 3, 2014. The Commission prefers to work with the Mississippi Legislature and others towards finding alternatives to filing an opposition with the Board. The Commission, therefore, respectfully requests that the Board defer the due date for filing protests or petitions until April 28, 2014.

Respectfully,

Handwritten signature of Mike Tagert.

Handwritten signature of Dick Hall.

Handwritten signature of Tom King.

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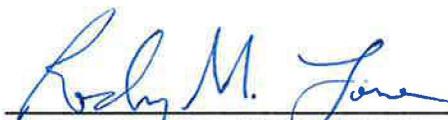
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I, Rodney M. Love, attorney for the Mississippi Transportation Commission, do hereby certify that I have this day caused to be mailed via electronic mail, a true and correct copy of the foregoing to the following:

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This the 31st day of January, 2014.



Rodney M. Love, Staff Attorney
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