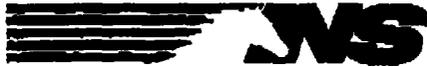


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Re: STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 291X), Norfolk Southern Railway Company - Abandonment in Marion, Grant County, Indiana

Dear Ms. Brown:

Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR) consents to the Board's issuance of a 180-day extension (from August 4, 2012) of the trail use negotiation period that has been requested by The City of Marion, Indiana in a letter to the Board dated July 24, 2012 (copy attached).

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours very truly,

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cc: **Darren Reese**
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