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Re: STB Docket No. AB-1068 (Sub-No. 2X), Missouri Central Railroad Company – Discontinuance of Trackage Rights Exemption – in Cass and Jackson Counties, Missouri; STB Docket No. AB-1070 (Sub-No. 2X), Central Midland Railway Company – Discontinuance of Trackage Rights Exemption – in Cass and Jackson Counties, Missouri

Dear Ms. Brown:

The Missouri Central Railroad Company (“MCRR”) previously filed Notices of Exemption on October 17, 2013 and October 30, 2013 in STB Docket No. AB-1068 (Sub-No. 2X) in an effort to discontinue its trackage rights over a Union Pacific Railroad rail line between Pleasant Hill, MO (MP 263.5) and Leeds Junction, MO (MP 288.3). Based on concerns regarding potential rights held by Central Midland Railway Company (“CMR”) on the same line through and via the MCRR trackage rights, MCRR and CMR are planning to file a replacement joint Notice of Exemption on or about November 18, 2013. The joint Notice will replace the Notices filed by MCRR on October 17th and October 30th. In the replacement joint Notice, MCRR and CMR will each seek discontinuance authority for their trackage rights in a separate docket. The replacement joint Notice of Exemption will be filed in STB Docket Nos. AB-1068 (Sub-No. 2X) for MCRR and AB-1070 (Sub-No. 2X) for CMR.

MCRR and CMR have sent, via FedEx today, the ten-day notification to various government officials, as required by 49 CFR § 1152.50(d)(1). MCRR has attached a copy of that ten-day notification to this letter for the Board.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any questions. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Yours very truly,



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**Re: STB Docket No. AB-1068 (Sub-No. 2X), Missouri Central Railroad Company –
Discontinuance of Trackage Rights Exemption – in Cass and Jackson Counties,
Missouri; STB Docket No. AB-1070 (Sub-No. 2X), Central Midland Railway
Company – Discontinuance of Trackage Rights Exemption – in Cass and Jackson
Counties, Missouri**

To Whom It May Concern:

The Missouri Central Railroad Company (“MCRR”) and Central Midland Railway Company (“CMR”) give notice that on or about November 18, 2013, they intend to file with the Surface Transportation Board (“STB”), 395 E St. SW, Washington, DC 20423, notices of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 (Subpart F—Exempt Abandonments) permitting MCRR and CMR to discontinue trackage rights over an approximately 24.8 mile line of railroad owned and operated by Union Pacific Railroad Company between railroad milepost 263.5, near Pleasant Hill, MO, and railroad milepost 288.3, near Leeds Junction, MO. Notice is being provided to you pursuant to 49 CFR § 1152.50(d)(1).

The rail line over which MCRR and CMR propose to cease trackage rights (the “Line”) is currently owned and operated by Union Pacific Railroad Company. The Line traverses through United States Postal Service ZIP Codes 64080 in Cass County, 64034 in Cass and Jackson Counties, and 64082, 64081, 64138, 64133, and 64129 in Jackson County. The discontinuance of trackage rights proceeding will be docketed at the STB as No. AB-1068 (Sub-No. 2X) for MCRR and No. AB-1070 (Sub-No. 2X) for CMR.

A map is attached. Based on information in our possession, the Line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in the railroad’s possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it.

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

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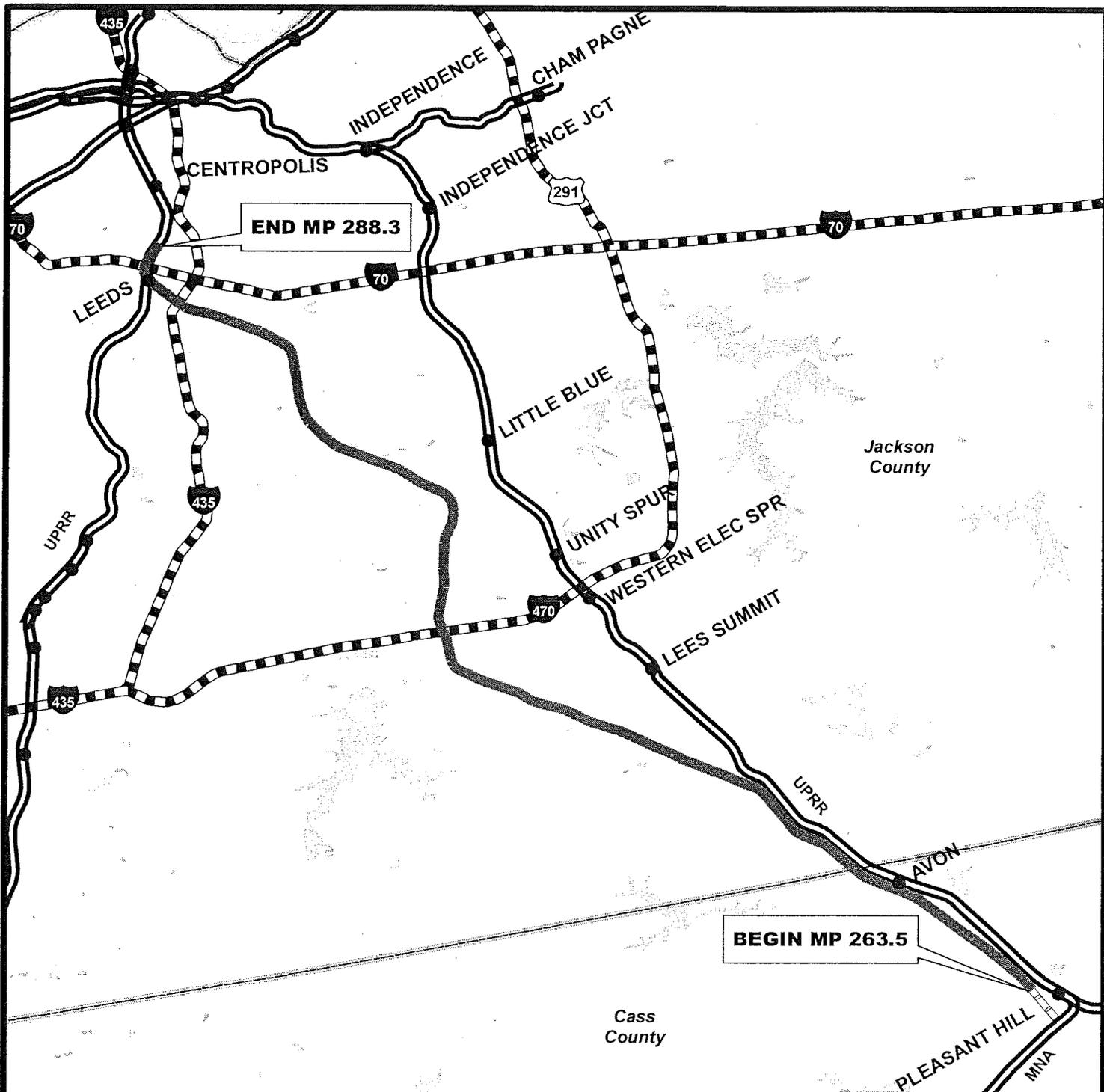
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enclosure (map)



Legend

-  MCRR and CMR rights to be discontinued
-  OTHER MCRR TRACK
-  OTHER LINES (UPRR, MNA, ETC.)
-  PRINCIPAL HIGHWAYS

CENTRAL MIDLAND RAILWAY COMPANY
STB Docket No. AB-1070 (Sub-No. 2X)

MISSOURI CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY
STB Docket No. AB-1068 (Sub-No. 2X)

Trackage rights over Union Pacific Railroad Company
MP 263.5 to MP 288.3
total of 24.8 miles in Cass and Jackson Counties, MO

