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May 28 , 2002.

Via Airborne Express

Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20423

**Re: STB Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 614X)
CSX Transportation, Inc. - Abandonment
In Richmond County, Georgia**

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed are the original and ten (10) copies of the Publisher's Affidavit referred to in Paragraph 7 of CSX Transportation, Inc.'s Petition for Exemption filed on May 17, 2002, in the above-captioned matter. As you can see from the Affidavit, the Petition for Exemption was published on May 16, 2002, in *The Augusta Chronicle* in Augusta, Richmond County, Georgia.

Very truly yours,


Natalie S. Rosenberg

Enclosures

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Personally appeared before me Frankie Pollard to me known, who being sworn, deposes and says: That He/She is the authorized agent of Southeastern Newspapers Corporation, a Georgia Corporation, doing business in said county under the trade name of The Augusta Chronicle, a newspaper published in said county; That He/She is authorized to make affidavits of publication on behalf of said publisher corporation; The Augusta Chronicle. That said newspaper is of general circulation in said county and in the area adjacent thereto; That He/She has reviewed the regular editions of said newspapers published on

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and finds that the following advertisement appeared in each of said editions, to-wit

Frankie Pollard

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Sworn to and subscribed before me

this 16 day of May, 2002

Doretta Oshy

Notary Public MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JUNE 14, 2005 County, Georgia.

STB NO. AB-55 (SUB-NO. 614X)
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION TO ABANDON A LINE OF RAILROAD

CSX Transportation, Inc. hereby gives notice that on or about May 17, 2002, it intends to file with the Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423, a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F-Exempt Abandonment, permitting the abandonment of a 1.60 mile portion of a line of railroad from Valuation Station 0+00 at Milepost ANS 0.2 to Valuation Station 84+44, in the Southern Region known as the Florence Division, Augusta Subdivision, in Richmond County, Georgia. The line traverses through United State Postal Service ZIP Code 30901. The proceeding has been docketed as No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 614X).

The Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) will generally prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA), which will normally be available 25 days after the filing of the notice for exemption. Comments on environmental and energy matters should be filed no later than 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public and will be addresses in a Board decision. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA or make inquiries regarding environmental matters by writing to SEA, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423 or by calling SEA at (202) 565-1526.

Appropriate offers of financial assistance to continue rail service can be filed with the Board. Requests for environmental conditions, public use conditions and 10 copies of any pleading that raises matters other than assistance) must be filed directly with the Board's Office of the Secretary, 1925 K. Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20423 (See 49 CFR 1104.1(a) and 1104.3(a)), and one copy must be served on applicant's representative (See 49 CFR 1104.12(a)). Questions regarding offers of financial assistance, public use or trails use may be directed to the Board's Office of Congressional and Public Services at (202) 565-1594. Copies of any comments or requests for conditions should be served on the applicant's representative (Natalie S. Rosenberg, Counsel, CSX Transportation, INC, 500 Water Street, J-150, Jacksonville, FL 32202).
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