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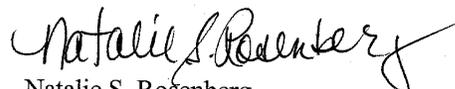
**Re: Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 591X)
CSX Transportation, Inc. -
Abandonment in Clark and Floyd Counties, Indiana**

Dear Mr. Williams:

On January 31, 2002, the Board served a decision allowing for the negotiation of an interim trail use agreement for the right-of-way involved in the above captioned proceeding. The deadline for such negotiation is August 2, 2002. Because the parties have been unable to complete the transaction, CSXT must request an extension to finalize trail negotiations. Please allow CSXT and the Town of Clarksville, the City of New Albany, and the City of Jeffersonville to continue to negotiate until February 3, 2003. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Please feel free to contact my office if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,


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