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Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
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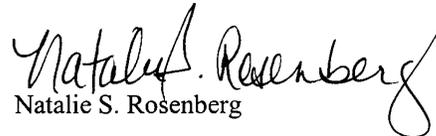


**Re: Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 609X)
CSX Transportation, Inc.-Abandonment
Exemption in Montgomery County, Ohio**

Dear Mr. Williams:

In a decision served on July 17, 2002, the Board authorized CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") to abandon the line between Milepost BE 69.5 at or about Valuation Station 18+86 and the end of track at Valuation Station 155+80, a distance of approximately 2.59 miles in Montgomery County, Ohio. CSXT hereby gives official notification that it exercised the abandonment authority granted in the aforementioned decision effective October 25, 2002. Please feel free to contact my office if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,


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