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Re: STB Docket No. AB-43 (Sub-No. 173X), Illinois Central  
Railroad Company — Petition for Exemption for  
Abandonment in Forrest County, Mississippi

Dear Secretary Williams:

Illinois Central Railroad Company agrees to extend the NITU an additional 90 days in the above-referenced proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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