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**VIA UPS OVERNIGHT MAIL**

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The Honorable Vernon A. Williams, Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street S.W.  
Washington DC 20423-0001

**Re: Surface Transportation Board Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 425X); BNSF Railway Company ("BNSF") Abandonment between Lost Springs and Neva, Kansas**

Dear Secretary Williams:

On September 9, 2004, BNSF filed a Notice of Exemption to abandon service of a 25.57-mile line of railroad between BNSF milepost 0.00 near Neva and milepost 25.45 near Lost Springs, in Chase, Morris, Marion and Dickinson Counties, Kansas. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 66838, 66850, 66859 and 66869

By decision served September 29, 2004, the STB granted the exemption authority to abandon effective October 29, 2004. Within that same decision, the STB stated that the abandonment was to be consummated as of September 29, 2005. By STB decision served May 25, 2006, the STB extended the consummation date until June 1, 2007. This letter is to advise the Board that BNSF is consummating the abandonment of the subject line as of the date of this letter.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by date-stamping the enclosed copy of this letter and returning it to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

Ten (10) additional copies of this letter are attached for the Board's use and distribution.

Sincerely,

Jake P. DeBoever

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- Kansas Department of Transportation
- Victoria Rutson, Chief, SEA
- Peter Rickershauser
- Jerome Johnson
- Susan Odom
- Dalen Wintermute
- Sidney Strickland
- Rail Services Update