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**VIA UPS OVERNIGHT MAIL**

July 24, 2007

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



**Re: STB Docket No. AB-6 (Sub. No. 444X) BNSF Railway Company—Abandonment Exemption – in Flathead County, MT**

Dear Secretary Williams:

On September 8, 2006, BNSF Railway Company (“BNSF”) filed a Notice of Exemption to abandon service of a 0.42-mile rail line of railroad between Engineering Station 189 + 36 and Engineering Station 167 + 00, near Kalispell in Flathead County, MT. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Code 59901.

By decision served September 28, 2006, the STB granted the exemption authority to abandon effective October 28, 2006. Within that same decision, the STB stated that the abandonment was to be consummated as of September 28, 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,

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