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TO Vernon Williams, Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, S.W.  
Washington, D C 20423

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RE: STB Finance Docket Nos AB 32 / 53X and AB 355 / 5X.

Dear Secretary Williams

I am faxing herewith to the Board the following documents, to be filed in Finance Docket Numbers. AB 32 / 53X and AB 355 / 5X

Comments of James Riffin  
Notice of Intent to File an Offer of Financial Assistance  
Petition to Toll Date an Offer of Financial Assistance Must Be Filed By

I am sending via overnight delivery the original and ten copies of the above three documents

Respectfully submitted,

  
James Riffin

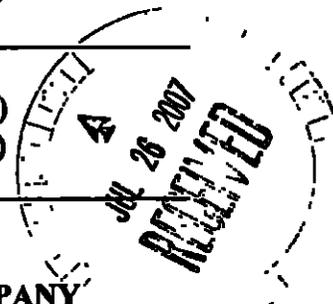
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BEFORE THE  
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

STB DOCKET NO. AB-32 (Sub- No. 53X)  
STB DOCKET NO. AB 355 (Sub- No. 5X)

BOSTON & MAINE CORPORATION  
SPRINGFIELD TERMINAL RAILWAY COMPANY  
ABANDONMENT AND DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE EXEMPTION  
GEORGETOWN BRANCH, ESSEX COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS



COMMENTS OF JAMES RIFFIN

1 Notice is herewith given that James Riffin (“Riffin” or “Protestant”) intends to participate as a party of record in the above entitled proceeding. All documents, filings or decisions in the above entitled case should be served on Riffin at James Riffin  
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2. Riffin, pursuant to the applicable regulations of the Surface Transportation Board (“STB” or “Board”) herewith files his Comments on Boston & Maine Corporation’s (“BMC”) Notice of Exemption (“NOE”) to Abandon 1 47 miles of rail line in Essex County, Massachusetts, which NOE is the subject of the above entitled case, and states:

3. On June 19, 2007, BMC filed an Abandonment Exemption (“AE”) to abandon 1 47 miles of railroad line between Mileposts 4.66 and 6.13, in Essex County, Massachusetts (“Line”).

4 A. Protestant’s Business. Riffin is a Class III railroad.

B Riffin’s interest in the proceeding Riffin’s has an interest in acquiring this line of railroad.

C. Riffin does not represent any group or other public interest.

Respectfully submitted,



James Riffin

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007, a copy of the foregoing Comments of James Riffin, was served by first class mail, postage prepaid, upon Michael Q. Geary, Staff Attorney, Boston & Maine Corporation (Pan Am Railways), Law Department, Iron Horse Park, North Billerica, MA 01862.



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James Riffin