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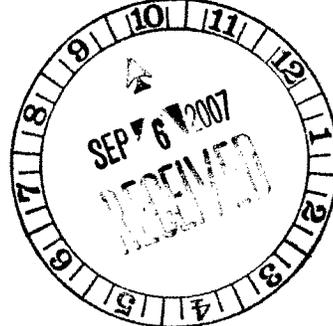
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**VIA UPS OVERNIGHT MAIL**

August 30, 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. 448X) BNSF Railway Company—Abandonment Exemption – in Thurston County, WA**

Dear Secretary Williams:

On February 26, 2007, BNSF Railway Company (“BNSF”) filed a Notice of Exemption to abandon service of a 0.86-mile line of railroad that extends between Engineering Station 476+09 and Engineering Station 521+42 near Olympia, in Thurston County, WA. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Code 98502.

By decision served March 16, 2007, the STB granted the exemption authority to abandon effective April 17, 2007. Within that same decision, the STB stated that the abandonment was to be consummated as of March 16, 2008. 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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- cc: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
- Washington State Department of Transportation
- Victoria Rutson, Chief, SEA
- Peter Rickershauser
- Jerome Johnson
- Susan Odom
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