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Honorable Anne K. Quinlan
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 East Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20423

Re: STB Docket No. AB-565 (Sub-No. 7X), *New York Central Lines, LLC –
Abandonment Exemption –in Suffolk County, MA*

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

Reference is made to the letter, dated December 2, 2008 (and received by the Board on December 3, 2008), from Richard Bloch, on behalf of the Georgetown and High Line Railway Company, LLC (the "G&HL") requesting a 180-day extension of the NITU negotiating period (the "Extension Request") in the above-entitled proceeding. The present NITU negotiating period expired on December 2, 2008.

CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT"), as successor by merger to New York Central Lines, LLC, hereby acknowledges and concurs with the Extension Request in all respects. Accordingly, CSXT respectfully requests the NITU negotiating period be extended for 180 days to June 2, 2009 and the time to consummate the abandonment of the line in the above-captioned proceeding to August 1, 2009.

CSXT is e-filing this notice. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please call or email me.

Very truly yours,


Kathryn R. Barney

cc: Parties of Record