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Honorable Anne K. Quinlan
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D. C. 20423

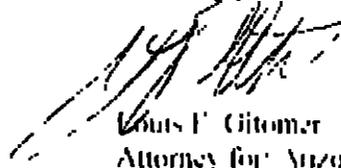
RE: **Docket No. AB-1022 (Sub-No. 1X), Arizona & California Railroad
Company—Abandonment Exemption—in San Bernardino and Riverside
Counties, CA (Between Rice and Ripley)**

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

Enclosed for e-filing is a copy of the verification of the publication of notice in the San Bernardino County Sun on March 6, 2009

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please call or email me.

Sincerely yours



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Company

Enclosures

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Ad Description PETITION FOR EXEMPTION

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of California, I am over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to or interested in the above entitled matter. I am the principal clerk of the printer and publisher of the SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SUN, a newspaper published in the English language in the city of SAN BERNARDINO, county of SAN BERNARDINO, and adjudged a newspaper of general circulation as defined by the laws of the State of California by the Superior Court of the County of SAN BERNARDINO, State of California, under date 08/20/1952, Case No 73084. That the notice, of which the enclosed is a printed copy, has been published in each regular and entire issue of said newspaper and not in any supplement thereof on the following dates, to-wit:

03/06/2009

Executed on 03/06/2009
At Los Angeles California

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Arizona & California Railroad Company ("ARZC") gives notice that on or about March 12, 2009 it intends to file with the Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423, a petition for exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502 from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 10903, et seq., permitting the abandonment of a 49.40 mile line of railroad between railroad milepost 00, near Rice, and railroad milepost 49.40, near Ripley which traverses through United States Postal Service ZIP Codes 92225, 92226, and 92280 in San Bernardino and Riverside Counties, CA. The proceeding has been docketed as No. AB 1022 (Sub-No. 1X).

The Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) will generally prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA), which will normally be available 60 days after the filing of the petition for abandonment exemption. Comments on environmental and energy matters should be filed no later than 30 days after the EA becomes available to the public and will be addressed in a Board decision. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA or make inquiries regarding environmental matters by writing to SEA, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423 or by calling SEA at 202-245-0295.

Appropriate offers of financial assistance to continue rail service can be filed with the Board. Requests for environmental conditions, public use conditions, or rail banking/trails use also can be filed with the Board. An original and 10 copies of any pleading that raises matters other than environmental issues (such as trails use, public use, and offers of financial assistance) must be filed directly with the Board's Office of the Secretary, 395 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20423 [See 49 CFR 1104.1(a) and 1104.3(a)], and one copy must be served on applicant's representative [See 49 CFR 1104.12(a)]. Questions regarding offers of financial assistance, public use or trails use may be directed to the Board's Office of Congressional and Public Services at 202-245-0231. Copies of any comments or requests for conditions should be served on the applicant's representative Louis E. Gitomer, Esq., Law Offices of Louis E. Gitomer, 600 Baltimore Avenue, Suite 301, Towson, MD 21204, phone (202) 466-6532, fax (410) 332-0885, and email Lou.Gitomer@verizon.net 3/6/09

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