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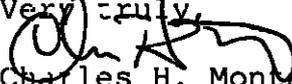
Hon. Anne K. Quinlan
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E St., SW
Washington, D.C. 20024

Re: Consolidated Rail Corporation -
Abandonment Exemption - in Hudson
County, AB 167 (Sub-no. 1189X)

Dear Madam Secretary:

Enclosed for filing please find an original and ten copies
of a notice of intent to file an OFA on behalf of City of Jersey
City for the above-captioned proceeding.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly,

Charles H. Montange
for City of Jersey City

Enc's.

cc. Counsel per cert. serv. (w/enc's.)

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BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

CONSOLIDATED RAIL CORPORATION)
- ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION -) AB 167 (Sub-no. 1189X)
IN HUDSON COUNTY, NJ)

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE
AN OFFER OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

I.

Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. 1152.27(c)(2)(i), this is a formal expression of intent of City of Jersey City to file an offer of financial assistance by purchase of the line (or specific segments thereof described in the footnote¹) which is the subject of this exempt abandonment proceeding.

II.

City requests Consolidated Rail Corporation ("Conrail" to

Conrail appears to have assigned an arbitrary Milepost numbering system to the line in its Notice of Exemption filed February 26, 2009. These milepost numbers do not appear to be the same as used in old PRR, Penn Central, or original Conrail track charts. Using Conrail's arbitrary system (it is within Conrail's prerogative to assign new MP numbers, although that does not affect the nature of a line of railroad), City provides estimated milepost designations for the line segments in which we are making this notice of intent below. However, the geographic call of a street or railroad crossing is controlling (references are based on the maps filed by Conrail with its notice of exemption in this proceeding). The four line segments for which City makes a notice of intent to file OFA are as follows:

- (A) CP Waldo (MP 0) to Washington Street (approx. MP 1.3);
- (B) CP Waldo (MP 0) to Luis Munoz Marin Blvd (approx. MP 1.26);
- (C) Intersection with "National Docks" line (running at relevant location roughly parallel to I 78, at approx. MP 0.1) to Washington Street (approx. MP 1.3);
- (D) Intersection with "National Docks" line (as above, approx. MP 0.1) to Luis Munoz Marin Blvd (approx. MP 1.26).

provide the information required by 49 C.F.R. 1152.27(a) by Friday, April 6, 2009, if possible, and no later than Monday, April 9, 2009. That information includes the following (a) Conrail's estimated purchase price for the line and for each portion described in footnote 1; (b) Conrail's most recent reports on the physical condition of the line; (c) for the line as a whole and each portion described in footnote 1, Conrail's estimate of the net liquidation value (NLV) of the line and supporting data. 49 C.F.R. 1152.27(a)(3) provides that supporting data must include matters like available appraisals and assessments of quality and quantity of track materials.

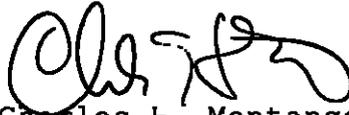
Please note that the Board's decisions describing NLV state that NLV is net salvage value (track and ties) plus appraised value (across the fence basis, subject to adjustment) of those parcels of real estate in which the railroad holds marketable title, unless the railroad has a sales contract, or in some cases an appropriate form of offer providing a different amount.

City of Jersey City therefore requests copies of all sales contracts, appraisals, and documents indicating marketable title, if Conrail claims any, in respect to the line and the portions thereof described in footnote 1.

City takes note that in prior filings, Conrail has indicated that it has contracted to sell the Harsimus Branch insofar as involved herein. In the circumstances, City requests all

applicable purchase contracts covering any relevant portion of
the Harsimus Branch from CF Waldo to end of abandonment.

Respectfully submitted,



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Certificate of Service

The undersigned hereby certifies service by deposit for hand delivery to STB and to Conrail on the earlier of ten (10) days from publication of a Notice of Exemption in this proceeding, or March 28, 2009, whichever event occurs earlier, unless the date is a Saturday or Sunday, in which case service was on the following Monday in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 1152.26(d)(1)-(3), applicable per 49 C.F.R. 1152.27(c)(2)(i), addressed as follows: Secretary, STB, 395 E Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20024, and Robert M. Jenkins III, Mayer Brown, 1909 K Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20006.

