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E-FILE

Honorable Anne Quinlan  
Acting Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: STB Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 456X), BNSF Railway Company --  
Abandonment Exemption -- In Riverside County, CA

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

On August 9, 2007, BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) filed a Notice of Exemption to abandon service of 0.50 miles of railroad line that extends between ES 0 + 00 and ES 26 + 35, in Riverside County, California. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Code 92504.

By decision served August 29, 2007, the STB granted the exemption authority to abandon effective September 28, 2007. Within that same decision, the STB stated that the abandonment is to be consummated by August 29, 2008. By STB decision served August 28, 2008, the STB extended the consummation date until August 28, 2009.

BNSF has completed its negotiations with the city of Riverside, CA for acquisition of the line. The city will use the property to construct a fire training facility for its emergency response team. As part of the sale conditions, the city will assume responsibility for all salvage work. The City has informed BNSF that funding for the acquisition will not be available for another two to four weeks. BNSF, therefore, respectfully requests an extension of the consummation deadline until February 26, 2010, in order to allow sufficient time to close its sale with the city.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karl Morell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "K".

**Karl Morell  
Of Counsel**