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Cynthia T. Brown
Chief of the Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
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Washington, D.C. 20423

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Re: **Docket No. AB-145 (Sub-No. 1X), Carrollton Railroad-Abandonment Exemption-in Carroll County, KY** 231463
AB-55 (Sub-No. 715X), CSX Transportation, Inc.—Abandonment Exemption—in Carroll County, KY 231464

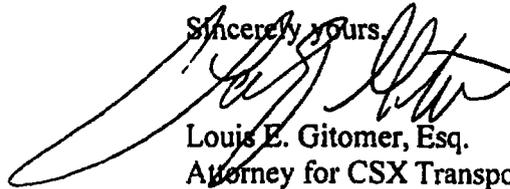
Dear Ms. Brown,

CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") and Carrollton Railroad ("CR") notify the Surface Transportation Board that pursuant to the decisions served on October 19, 2011 and November 17, 2011, on December 9, 2011, CSXT consummated the discontinuance and CR consummated the abandonment of an approximately 0.79-mile rail line on CSXT's Northern Region, Louisville Division, LCL Subdivision, between milepost OCR 6.72 and milepost OCR 7.51, at the end of the track in Carrollton, Carroll County, KY (the "Line"). The Line will be reclassified as industry track and leased to a commercial customer for car storage.

CSXT has consulted with the National Resources Conservation Service in compliance with the condition imposed in the November 17 decision. We have enclosed the response from NRCS.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely yours,



Louis E. Gitomer, Esq.
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Carrollton Railroad

Enclosure

Cc: Kentucky Public Service Commission

United States Department of Agriculture



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**SUBJECT: PER – CSX – Carrollton Railroad Company
Prime Farmland Request**

Oct. 25, 2011

**TO: Jo Ann Burroughs
Manager Network Services
CSX
500 Waters Street – J200
Jacksonville, FL 32202**

Ms. Burroughs,

NRCS response concerning the impact to prime agricultural farmland contiguous to the CSXT's Railroad Milepost OCR 6.72 to Railroad Milepost OCR 7.51 in Carrollton, KY.

NRCS's previous response, dated Sept. 13, 2011, included a soils map on NRCS 2010 aerial photography showing the prime farmland along the section of railroad indicated on your map for abandonment. No significant impacts to prime agricultural farmland or farmland of statewide importance are anticipated from the proposed abandonment if all salvage operations or other work is confined to the existing railroad right-of-way, to those areas outlined and labeled in yellow on that soils map as prior converted farmland, or to areas having soil map units that are identified on the legend as not prime farmland.

If you need additional information or assistance please contact Paul Veech, District Conservationist for Carroll County at 502-484-2719 or myself at the above address and number.

**Steve Jacobs
Resource Soil Scientist, NRCS
Maysville, Ky.**

**cc:
Paul Veech, DC, NRCS, Owenton, KY**

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