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By electronic mail

Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
Case Control Unit, Suite 713
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: Docket No. AB-792X, *Railroad Switching Service of Missouri, Inc. --
Abandonment Exemption -- Entire Rail Line in St. Louis, St. Louis County, MO*

Dear Mr. Williams:

Please refer to the Petition for Exemption of abandonment filed by this office in the above proceeding on January 12, 2005. At the request of Mr. Troy Brady of the Board's Section of Environmental Assessment, I provided information about historic traffic on the involved rail line, i.e., 150 carloads in the 12-month period ended June 30, 2004. That historic traffic information has little significance inasmuch as the sole shipper responsible for that traffic has advised the Applicant that it will no longer ship by rail and does not oppose the proposed abandonment. Nevertheless, Applicant hereby provides that historic traffic information for the record.

Very truly yours,

/s/
Thomas F. McFarland
Attorney for Applicant

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cc: Mr. Barry McClure