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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Anna K. Quinlan
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20024

Re: **STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 302X)**
Norfolk Southern Railway Company—Abandonment Exemption
—In East Whiteland Township, Chester County, PA

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned proceeding is **Malvern Hill Associates, L.P.'s Expression of Intent to File Offer of Financial Assistance.**

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please feel free to contact me.
Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

Very truly yours,



Michael J. Barron, Jr.
Attorney for Malvern Hill Associates, L.P.

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Enclosures.

cc: Mr. John Edwards

BEFORE THE
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

STB DOCKET NO. AB-290 (SUB-NO. 302X)

NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY
—ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION—
IN EAST WHITELAND TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY, PA

**MALVERN HILL ASSOCIATES, L.P.'S EXPRESSION OF INTENT
TO FILE AN OFFER OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

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Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. 1152.27(c)(2)(i), this is a formal expression of intent of Malvern Hill Associates, L.P. to file an offer of financial assistance by purchasing the line which is the subject of this exempt abandonment proceeding.

Norfolk Southern Railway Company is requested to provide the information required by 49 C.F.R. 1152.27(a) by no later than April 9, 2008, including copies of the most recent report on the physical condition of the line, the carrier's estimate of the net liquidation value of the line, with supporting data, including but not limited to identification and ownership of the parcels said to compromise the right-of-way of the railroad line and other information required to be disclosed by 49 C.F.R. § 1152.27(a)(3), and any other information deemed relevant to enable Malvern Hill Associates, L.P. to calculate the net liquidation value of the line and the minimum price which Norfolk Southern Railway Company seeks for the properties.

Respectfully submitted,

MALVERN HILL ASSOCIATES, L.P.

By: /s/ Michael J. Barron, Jr.¹
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 28th day of March, 2008, I caused the foregoing MALVERN HILL ASSOCIATES, L.P.'S EXPRESSION OF INTENT TO FILE AN OFFER OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE to be served upon Norfolk Southern Railway Company by email and by next business day delivery, addressed to counsel listed below:

John V. Edwards
Senior General Attorney
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/s/ Michael J. Barron, Jr. ²

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