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**Re: STB Docket No. AB-55 (670X)  
CSX Transportation, Inc. – Abandonment  
Exemption – in Middlesex County, MA**

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

Reference is made to the letter, dated May 15, 2008 (and filed with the Board on May 15, 2008), from Martha White, Town Administrator, on behalf of The Town of Natick, MA (the "Town") requesting a 180-day extension of the NITU negotiating period (the "Extension Request") with CSX Transportation, Inc ("CSXT") in the above-captioned proceeding.

CSXT hereby acknowledges and concurs with the Extension Request in all respects Accordingly, CSXT respectfully requests the NITU negotiating period be extended for 180 days to November 13, 2008 and the time to consummate the abandonment of the line in the above-captioned proceeding to January 12, 2009.

CSXT is e-filing this notice. Thank you for your assistance If you have any questions please call or email me.

Very truly yours,

Steven C Armbrust

cc. Parties of Record