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Hon. Anne K. Quinlan
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 "F" Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

RE Docket No. AB-565 (Sub-No. 1X), New York Central Lines, LLC—Abandonment
Exemption—in Middlesex County, MA

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

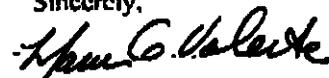
I am writing on behalf of The Town of Sudbury, Massachusetts (the "Town") in support of an extension of the deadline for negotiations with CSX Transportation, Inc., as successor by merger to New York Central Lines, LLC, ("CSXT"), regarding the Notice of Interim Trail Use in the above-captioned proceeding with respect to the 1.4-mile portion of line that extends north from the Framingham town line at MP QBS 3.40 to the intersection of the former Penn Central Transportation Company line at MP QBS 4.90. Pursuant to the December 18, 2007 decision (the "Decision") of the Surface Transportation Board (the "Board"), an agreement for interim trail use/rail banking is expiring May 18, 2008 ("Negotiating Deadline").

Although CSXT and the Town have not reached an agreement regarding the NITU, the parties desire to continue negotiations for an NITU. The Town of Sudbury had previously obtained our own appraisal of this section of the line and we have forwarded it to CSXT Realty, c/o Lee Chastain for distribution to the appropriate parties at CSXT for review. In response, CSXT presented the Town with a Purchase & Sale Agreement and the parties are meeting to discuss outstanding issues this month. Therefore, based on timing, the Town fully supports CSXT's request for extension of the NITU in this proceeding.

In addition, the Town respectfully requests a waiver of the Board's filing fees in accordance with 49 CFR 1002.2(e)(1).

The Town is e-filing this letter. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,


Maureen G. Valente
Town Manager

cc: Parties of Record

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