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By e-filing

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Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W., Suite 100
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Re: Docket No. AB-1022 (Sub-No. 1X), *Arizona & California Railroad Company --
Abandonment Exemption -- in San Bernadino and Riverside Counties, CA*

Dear Ms. Quinlan:

The date for filing Requests for Establishment of Conditions and Compensation for Financial Assistance in the above matter is October 28, 2009, having been extended by 68 days at the request of Arizona & California Railroad Company (ARZC) with the concurrence of Offeror, BG&CM Railroad, Inc. (BGCM).

In behalf of BGCM, this is to respectfully request a further extension of 51 days, to December 18, 2009, of the date for filing such Requests.

The requested extension is necessitated to provide adequate time for BGCM to appraise the fair market value of the parcels in the right-of-way of the involved rail line for which ARZC claims marketable fee simple title. It was not possible for BGCM to conduct that appraisal earlier because ARZC did not provide the preliminary title report showing such fee simple title until one week ago. The prior extension requested by ARZC was for the purpose of completing that title report. The 51-day extension hereby requested is the minimum time required for BGCM's appraiser to complete a fair market value appraisal of the fee-held parcels.

I have been authorized by ARZC's counsel, Lou Gitomer, to state that ARZC does not oppose the requested extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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