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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
Chief of the Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D. C. 20423

RE: Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 696X), *CSX Transportation, Inc. –
Abandonment Exemption – in Lucas County, OH*

Dear Ms. Brown:

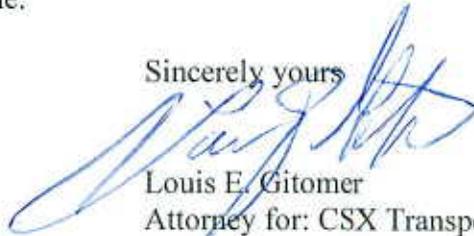
CSX Transportation, Inc. (“CSXT”) responds to the letter filed by the Metroparks of Toledo Area (“Metroparks”) on August 25, 2010, seeking an extension of time to negotiate interim trail use/rail banking.

CSXT agrees to the 180-day extension of time until March 9, 2011 to negotiate interim trail use/rail banking for the 4.15-mile rail line on its Northern Region, Chicago Division, Toledo Terminal Subdivision, between Temperance, milepost CTT 5.0 and Vulcan, milepost CTT 9.15, in Lucas County, OH with Metroparks.

As provided in 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), the extension of the trail negotiation period until March 9, 2011, creates a regulatory barrier to consummation of the abandonment, which provides CSXT with an additional 60 days to consummate the abandonment to May 8, 2011, if trail negotiation is unsuccessful. CSXT respectfully requests that the Board confirm that the extension of the consummation period as provided in the regulations applies in this instance.

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

Sincerely yours



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cc: Mr. Rettig