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February 3, 2010

Honorable Anne K. Quinlan  
Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E. Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

Re: CSXT Transportation, Inc. – Abandonment Exemption – Fayette and Greenbrier Counties, West Virginia – AB-55 Sub-No. 682X

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

On behalf of the Fayette and Greenbrier County Commissioners, we are writing to request an additional 180 day extension of the deadline for negotiations with CSX Transportation. This needed extension is regarding the Notice of Interim Trail Use in the above-captioned proceeding with respect to the 16.7 mile line of railroad on the CSXT's Southern Region, Huntington-East Division, Sewell Subdivision, between milepost CAF 27, near Rainelle and milepost CAF 43.7, near Nallen in Greenbrier and Fayette Counties, West Virginia.

The current time-frame for negotiating an agreement for interim trail use/rail banking expires on or around February 9, 2010.

Although CSXT and the Fayette and Greenbrier County Commissions have not reached a final agreement regarding the NITU, the parties desire to continue negotiations for an NITU. In recent days, the county commissions and CSX Transportation have agreed in principal to a purchase agreement. The purchase agreement is being reviewed, funding sources are being put in place, and we are optimistic that current efforts will lead to a purchase of the corridor within the next 180 days.

On behalf of both the Fayette and Greenbrier County Commissions, we respectfully request an extension of 180 days for continued negotiations to finalize the purchase agreement with CSXT.

In addition, the Counties respectfully requests a waiver of the Board's filing fees in accordance with 49CFR 1002 2(e) (1)

By the signature below, we certify service upon CSX Transportation, Inc.  
301 W. Bay Street, J-915, Jacksonville, Florida 32202

Sincerely,



A. Carl Thompson, Meadow River Rails to Trails Coordinator  
Fayette County, West Virginia

cc:

CSX Transportation

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