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Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
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RE: STB Docket No. AB-565 (Sub-No. 7X)
New York Central Lines, LLC - Abandonment
STB Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 605X)
CSX Transportation, Inc. - Discontinuance of Service
Exemption in Suffolk County, Massachusetts

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Dear Mr. Williams:

This letter is regarding the decision served on April 29, 2002 in the above captioned matter. In that decision, the Board required New York Central Lines, LLC ("NYC") to keep the right-of-way intact until October 27, 2002, for trail negotiation purposes. Over the course of the past several months, NYC has been negotiating with the City of Chelsea (the "City"). In that NYC and the City have been unable to reach a final agreement on the trail issue, NYC respectfully requests an extension of the negotiating period until April 28, 2003. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Please feel free to contact my office if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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