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Honorable Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D. C. 20423

**Re: STB Docket No. AB-565 (Sub-No. 7X), New York Central Lines, LLC –
Abandonment Exemption –in Suffolk County, MA**

Dear Secretary Williams:

The City of Chelsea, MA (the "City") requested a notice of interim trail use/rail banking for approximately 2.17 miles of railroad between milepost QBG-5.7 and milepost QBG-7.87 in Chelsea, Suffolk County, MA, in the above-entitled proceeding. The current extension of the negotiating period expired on April 18, 2007. CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXI"), as successor by merger to New York Central Lines, LLC, has not consummated the abandonment, has been unable to finalize negotiations with the City, and desires to continue to negotiate for interim trail use/rail banking with the City. CSXI respectfully requests the Board to grant a 180-day extension of time to October 15, 2007 to negotiate trail use with the City. Additionally, CSXI respectfully requests an extension of the date to consummate the abandonment to December 14, 2007.

Enclosed please find the original and 10 copies of this letter, and a filing fee of \$350.00. Please time and date stamp a copy of this letter and return it with our messenger.

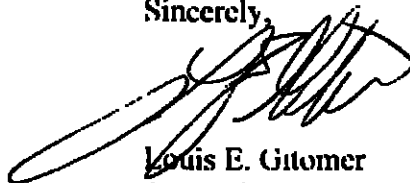
Thank you for your assistance. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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