

**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
SECTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS**

POST ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN STB DOCKET NO. AB-33 (Sub-No. 261)

May 6, 2009

ABANDONMENT TYPE

The time for comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) has expired in this:

☐ Notice of Exemption ☐ Petition for Exemption ☒ Regulated Abandonment

☒ NO NEW COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED

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SEA served an EA for this proceeding on April 1, 2009, for public review and comment. In the EA, SEA recommended two environmental conditions and concluded that the proposed action would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment.

Comments on the EA

Not applicable.

Modifications to the EA

Not applicable.

Conclusions

The EA comment period has ended. Accordingly, SEA recommends that the following conditions previously recommended in the EA should be imposed upon any decision granting abandonment authority:

1. Prior to initiating salvage activities, the Union Pacific Railroad Company shall consult with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7 (EPA) on the potential presence of EPA-regulated facilities within the right-of-way of the line to be abandoned.

2. Prior to initiating salvage activities, the Union Pacific Railroad Company shall consult with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program, on the need for a land disturbance permit.

If the above conditions are imposed, SEA believes that the proposed action would not significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

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