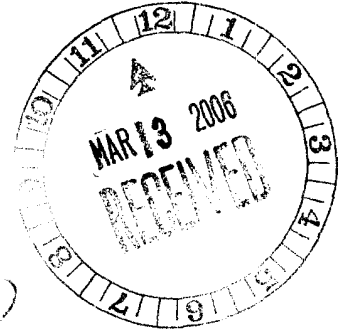


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Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: Docket No. AB-103 (Sub-No. 19X), *The Kansas City Southern Railway Company*
-- *Abandonment Exemption* -- in Webster Parish, LA

Dear Mr. Williams:

By decision served September 9, 2005 in the above proceeding, the Board issued a Notice of Interim Trail Use (NITU) providing for a 180-day period to negotiate a railbanking and interim trail use agreement.

The current negotiating period expires on March 9, 2006.

The City of Springhill, Louisiana hereby seeks an extended 180-day period to negotiate a trail use agreement. Despite good faith negotiations, the parties have not yet concluded such an agreement. However, the parties believe that such an agreement can be concluded in the extended 180-day period.

A copy of the request for extension is being sent to the attorney for The Kansas City Southern Railway Company.

The filing fee is waived for the City as a unit of municipal government.

Very truly yours,

Tom McFarland

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