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Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
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RE: Docket No. AB-565 (Sub-No. 7X), New York Central Lines, LLC—
Abandonment Exemption in Suffolk County, MA
~~Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 605X), CSX Transportation, Inc.—Discontinuance of~~
~~Service Exemption in Suffolk County, MA~~

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Dear Secretary Williams:

The City of Chelsea, MA (the "City") requested a notice of interim trail use/rail banking for approximately a 2.17-mile rail line 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 expires on April 28, 2005. CSX Transportation, Inc., successor by merger to New York Central Lines, LLC ("CSXT") 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. Therefore, CSXT respectfully requests the Board to grant a 180-day extension of time to October 25, 2005 to negotiate trail use with City. Additionally, CSXT respectfully requests an extension of the date to consummate the abandonment to December 26, 2005.

Enclosed are the original and 10 copies of this letter, and a filing fee of \$350. Please time and date stamp the additional copy of this letter and return it with our messenger. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please call or email me.

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Sincerely yours

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