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RE: Docket No. AB-565 (Sub-No. 14X)
New York Central Lines, LLC - Abandonment
~~Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 629X)~~
~~CSX Transportation, Inc. Discontinuance of Service~~
~~Schenectady County, New York~~

Dear Mr. Williams:

By decision dated April 23, 2003, the Board granted the request of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (The "State") for a notice of interim trail use. The deadline for negotiations is currently October 21, 2002. Because the State and New York Central Lines, LLC ("NYC") have been unable to reach an agreement, NYC respectfully requests a six-month extension on the negotiating period.

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

Very truly yours,

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