

Sean P. Simon
233 Walden Circle
Robbinsville, NJ 08691-3447

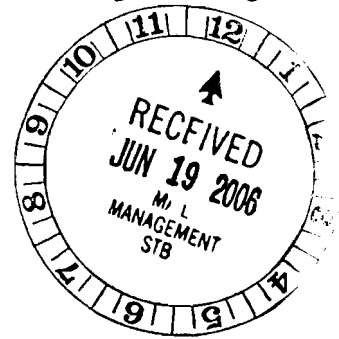
June 13, 2006

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, NW Rm 711
Washington, DC 20423

ENTERED
Office of Proceedings

JUN 19 2006

Part of
Public Record



Docket Reference: AB 167 (Sub-No. 1185X)

Dear Mr. Williams:

I am writing in reference to Docket Number AB 167 (Sub-No. 1185X). This docket pertains to the proposed abandonment of the Consolidated Rail Corporation, on the Robbinsville Industrial Track between railroad mileposts 32.20 +/- and 37.90 +/- . This line traverses the cities of Hamilton Township and Washington Township, Mercer County, NJ. The line runs through Postal Zip Codes 08620 and 08520.

In 1991, the New Jersey DEP-Historic Preservation Office rendered an opinion that this property is eligible for both the State and National Registers of Historic Places. As of this writing, the affected rail right-of-way is rightfully listed on the NJ-DEP-HPO Register of Historic Places as the Camden and Amboy Mainline Historic District.

Under Title 16 of US Code (specifically Chapter 1a, Subchapter II, Part A, § 470f), a property deemed eligible for the State and National Registers of Historic Places must undergo a Section 106 Review as mandated by the National Historic Preservation Act. That review must be conducted through the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, in conjunction with the respective State Historic Preservation Officer.

Being that this property meets the criteria for a Section 106 Review. I am hereby requesting your office to insure that such review takes place in accordance with the applicable Federal laws. My group, a grassroots organization that will be seeking a Public or Trail Use deed restriction on the property, will be contacting the necessary agencies to be included as an Interested Party to the review process.

Respectfully,

Sean Simon
Chairman, C&A Trail Conservancy

Cc: John K. Enright, Associate General Counsel, Consolidated Rail Corp.