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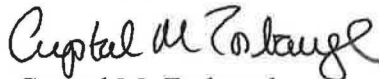
Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Nottoway
County, Virginia, AB-290 (Sub-No. 378X)

Dear Ms. Brown:

Norfolk Southern Railway Company (“NSR”) hereby requests an additional one-year extension, until September 17, 2020, of the abandonment authority granted to NSR in the above-captioned proceeding. Currently, NSR’s abandonment authority expires on September 17, 2019, per the Board’s stamp decision served September 17, 2018. Despite NSR’s efforts, salvage will not be able to be completed by the current deadline because NSR remains in the process of resolving the salvaging conditions imposed by the Board in a decision served on October 16, 2015.¹

While NSR continues to work towards completing the consultation and salvage process, NSR needs additional time to do so. Should you have any questions, please contact me directly by telephone: 202-663-7831, or by e-mail: czorbaugh@bakerandmiller.com.

Sincerely,



Crystal M. Zorbaugh

Attorney for Norfolk Southern Railway Company

cc: All parties of record

¹ The conditions imposed by the Board include: (1) consult with the National Geodetic Survey (“NGS”) and notify NGS at least 90 days prior to beginning salvage activities that will disturb or destroy any geodetic station markers; and (2) prior to commencement of any salvage activities (i) consult with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regarding potential impacts from salvaging activities to federally listed threatened and endangered species that may occur in the vicinity of the line, and (ii) report the results of the consultations in writing to the Board’s Office of Environmental Analysis prior to the onset of salvage operations.