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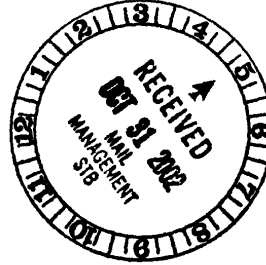
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October 31, 2002

The Honorable Vernon Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W., Suite 715
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Re: STB Docket No. AB-471 (Sub-No. 4X), South Kansas and Oklahoma Railroad Company - Abandonment Exemption - In Crawford, Wilson, Elk and Greenwood Counties, Kansas and Osage and Tulsa Counties, Oklahoma

Dear Secretary Williams:

This is in response to the request dated October 23, 2002, by The Trust for Public Land (the "Trust"), for an extension of the interim trail use ("NITU"), under the National Trails System Act, 16 U.S.C. § 1247(d), imposed by the Surface Transportation Board ("Board") for the rail line located between milepost 163.21, in Tulsa County, and milepost 188.0, near Barnsdall, OK (the "Line").

South Kansas and Oklahoma Railroad Company ("SKO") hereby notifies the Board that SKO has not consummated the abandonment of the Line between milepost 163.21 and milepost 188.0 and is agreeable to the extension of the NITU as requested by the Trust.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call me.

Sincerely,

Karl Morell

cc: The Trust for Public Land

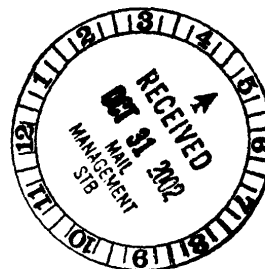
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