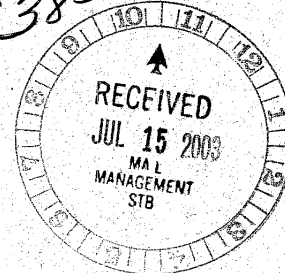


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Dear Commissioners:

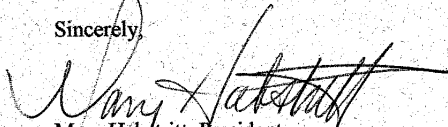
I am writing to express my intent to participate in the July 24 hearing on the case entitled, Chelsea Property Owners--Abandonment--Portion of the Consolidated Rail Corporation's West 30th Street Secondary Track in New York, NY, Docket No. AB-167 (Sub-No. 1094)A.

I will be speaking on behalf of the national Society for Industrial Archeology with over 1,900 members in North America, and as president of its largest chapter, representing 430 members in the greater New York metropolitan area.

Please allow me three (3) minutes to say a few words on the importance of this landmark to our industrial heritage.

Thank you.

Sincerely,


Mary Habstritt, President
Roebling Chapter