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Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
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Re: Re: STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 240X), Norfolk Southern Railway
Company--Abandonment Exemption -- Between Gastonia and Dallas
(Gebo) in Gaston County, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Williams:

In accordance with the Board's decision, served December 9, 2003, I hereby
certify that the attached letter was served upon Webb Metals Limited by first class mail,
postage prepaid, on the 11th day of December, 2003.

Very truly yours,

James R. Paschall

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Attachment



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Ms. Mary Webb
Webb Metals Limited
1305 Philadelphia Church Road
Dallas, NC 28034

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Dear Ms. Webb:

By a decision served December 9, 2003, the Surface Transportation Board granted Norfolk Southern Railway Company an exemption from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 10903 to abandon its 5-mile line of railroad in Gaston County, North Carolina. A copy of the decision is attached.

Please advise me if I can answer any questions you may have concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James R. Paschall".

James R. Paschall

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cc: Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
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