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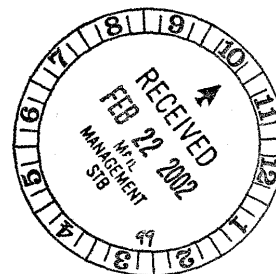
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Mr. Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
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Re: **Docket No. AB-325 (Sub-No. 2X)**
Florida Midland Railroad Company -- Abandonment
Exemption -- In Sumter and Lake Counties, Florida

Dear Secretary Williams:

By decision served in the above-captioned proceeding on February 23, 2001, Florida Midland Railroad Company ("FMID") was granted an exemption for the abandonment of its 13.23-mile line of railroad extending from milepost ST-762.10 in Wildwood to milepost ST-773.71 in Leesburg and from milepost AS-800.76 to milepost AS-802.38 in Leesburg, in Sumter and Lake Counties, Florida. That decision imposed three environmental consultation conditions on FMID with respect to the proposed abandonment.

As information, FMID continues the consultations required by the Board's decision. Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29(e)(2), FMID will file a notice of consummation for this abandonment within sixty (60) days of the completion of that process.

Ten copies of this letter are enclosed for filing at the Board. An extra copy also is enclosed, and I would request that you date-stamp that copy to show receipt of this filing and return it to me in the provided envelope. Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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