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The Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, NW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: STB Docket No. AB-103 (Sub-No. 18X)
The Kansas City Southern Railway Company-- Abandonment Exemption
-- Line In Winn Parish, LA

Dear Secretary Williams:

This is to advise that The Kansas City Southern Railway Company ("KCSR") has entered a trail use agreement with L&A Trail, Inc., concerning a 2.16-mile portion of the 3.16-mile right of way at issue in the captioned matter. The portion of the line covered by the trail use agreement extends between KCSR mileposts 144.64 and 146.80.

This is also to advise pursuant to 49 C.F.R. §§1152.29(e)(2) and 1152.50(e) that as of July 26, 2006, KCSR has consummated the abandonment and discontinuation of its common carrier service obligation over the remaining 1.0-mile portion of the line at issue in the captioned proceeding, extending between KCSR mileposts 146.80 to 147.80. Please note, however, that KCSR presently intends to retain its ownership interest in said 1.0-mile segment, to leave the track in place over that property, and to continue to use that property for railroad purposes, albeit as track exempt (pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §10906) from the Board's jurisdiction with respect to operation and abandonment. This action has been taken pursuant to the notice of exemption in the above-captioned proceeding that was published by the Board September 5, 2005 at 70 *Federal Register* 52483-4, as modified by the Board's decisions in the captioned docket posted on the Board's website October 3, 2005 and March 30, 2006.

An additional ten (10) copies of this letter are enclosed for the Board's use.

Sincerely,

Brian P. Banks

cc: All Parties of Record