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Washington, D.C. 20423

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HARTWELL FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
-ADVERSE ABANDONMENT AND DISCONTINUANCE-
THE GREAT WALTON RAILROAD COMPANY, INC.,
IN HART COUNTY, GA

CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE OF SERVICE FILED BY
THE GREAT WALTON RAILROAD COMPANY

The Great Walton Railroad Company, Inc. (GWRC), by and through counsel, hereby certifies that it has this September 11, 2017, served copies on TORCH of Hartwell (TORCH) and Quality Holdings, LLC (Quality) of the Board's Decision, which erroneously reflects a Late Release date of "August 31, 3017". Although counsel checked for late releases over the past few days, counsel inadvertently failed to notice the late release of the Board's August 31 decision. Moreover, as 4:00 p.m. e.d.s.t. on this date, counsel has not yet received service via U.S. Mail of the Board's Decision. Counsel acknowledges that he received a call from the Board on this date regarding the Board's Decision and immediately took steps to forward true copies of the Board's Decision to TORCH and Quality. GWRC respectfully thanks for the Board for the curtesy call.

Counsel is authorized to state that GWRC greatly appreciates the Board's directive to respond to the issues identified by the Board regarding the TORCH

Agreement. GWRC intends to respond to the Board's Decision by October 2, 2017. However, GWRC wishes to make it crystal clear that it has never had any intent to abandon its Lines or to transfer them to TORCH prior to obtaining Board authorization to do so.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: September 11, 2017

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Richard H. Streeter, hereby certify that I have this 11th day of September, 2017, served a copy of this Certification of Notice on all parties of record and on TORCH of Hartwell and Quality Holdings, LLC via first class mail or by email.

/s/ Richard H. Streeter

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