



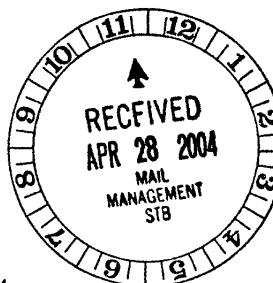
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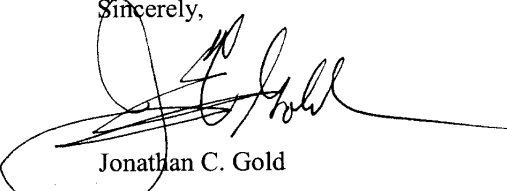
**RE: Docket No. AB-565 (Sub-No. 14X)
New York Central Lines, LLC - Abandonment
Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 624X)
CSX Transportation, Inc. - Discontinuance of Service
Schenectady County, New York**

Dear Mr. Williams:

By decision dated April 23, 2003, the Board granted the request of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (the "State") for a Notice of Interim Trail Use in the above-captioned matter. Because CSX Transportation, Inc., on its own behalf and that of New York Central Lines, LLC (collectively "CSXT"), has been unable to finalize negotiations with the State, CSXT hereby requests that the Board extend the NITU negotiating period until October 21, 2004.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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