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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
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Re: **Docket No. AB-303 (Sub-No.44X)**
Wisconsin Central Ltd. – Abandonment Exemption
-In Forest County, Wisconsin

Dear Ms. Brown:

Pursuant to the Notice of Interim Trail Use ("NITU") first issued in the above-captioned proceeding on August 26, 2014, and extended on a number of occasions but ultimately expiring on January 31, 2020, in accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29(h), Wisconsin Central Ltd. ("WCL") and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources ("WisDNR") hereby jointly notify the Board that on January 30, 2020, they entered into an "Trail Use/Railbanking Purchase Agreement" with respect to a 6.4 mile right-of-way extending from Milepost 242.21 near the Town of Argonne in Forest County, Wisconsin, and ending at milepost 235.85, in the City of Crandon in Forest County, Wisconsin. The agreement encompasses the entire right-of-way covered by the NITU, and the parties certify that the agreement requires WisDNR to fulfill the responsibilities of 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29(a)(2). A map of the right-of-way is attached.

WisDNR has authorized this submission on its behalf. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this filing. Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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cc: Vincent R. Bauer, WisDOT
Brigit Brown, WisDNR
Richard Welsh, NARPO

Map – Argonne Jct – Crandon, WI

EXHIBIT 1

