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Via Overnight Express Mail (Return Receipt Requested)

Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Room 700
Washington, D. C. 20006



RE: Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 667X), *CSX Transportation, Inc.—
Abandonment Exemption—in Harlan County, KY*

Dear Secretary Williams:

Enclosed please find the original and 10 copies of (i) the newspaper publication made on April 13, 2006 in The Harlan Daily Enterprise and (ii) a notarized proof of advertising from The Harlan Daily Enterprise, in each case in connection with CSX Transportation, Inc.'s recent submission of its Verified Notice of Exemption with respect to the above captioned matter.

Please time and date stamp the additional copy of this letter and return it to me in the self-addressed, stamped envelope. Thank you for your assistance.

If you have any questions please call or email me.

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Sincerely yours,

Steven C. Armbrust

Enclosures

001 Public Notices

CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") gives notice that on or about April 21, 2006, it intends to file with the Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423, a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F--Exempt Abandonments permitting CSXT to abandon a 12.56-mile rail line on its Southern Region, Huntington Division - West, CV Subdivision, between Milepost OWH 258.5 to the end of track at Milepost OWH 271.06, in Harlan County, Kentucky, which traverses through United States Postal Service ZIP Codes 40828, 40843, and 40927. This proceeding will be docketed as No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 667X).

The Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) will generally prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA), which will normally be available 25 days after the filing of the notice of exemption. Comments on environmental and energy matters should be filed no later than 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public and will be addressed in a Board decision. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA or make inquiries regarding environmental matters by writing to SEA, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423 or by calling SEA at 202-927-6211.

Appropriate offers of financial assistance to continue rail service can be filed with the Board. Requests for environmental conditions, public use conditions, or rail banking/trails use also can be filed with the Board. An original and 10 copies of any pleading that raises matters other than environmental issues (such as trails use, public use, and offers of financial assistance) must be filed directly with the Board's Office of the Secretary, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423 [See 49 CFR 1104.1(a) and 1104.3(a)], and one copy must be served on applicants' representative [See 49 CFR 1104.12(a)]. Questions regarding offers of financial assistance, public use or trails use may be directed to the Board's Office of Congressional and Public Services at 202-565-1592. Copies of any comments or requests for conditions should be served on the applicant's representative: Steve Armbrust, CSX Transportation, Inc., 500 Water St., J-150, Jacksonville, Florida, 32202 (fax: 904-245-3357).

The Harlan Daily Enterprise

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NOTARIZED PROOF OF ADVERTISING

State of Kentucky
County of Harlan

Before me, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State, this 13th day of April, 2006, came Christy Freeman, personally known to me, who being duly sworn, states as follows: That he/she is Classified Manager, of The Harlan Daily Enterprise, and that said publication of April 13th, 2006, carries the advertising of: CSX Transportation, Inc.

Signature: Christy Freeman

Notary Public: Wylene M. Mena

My Commission Expires: 06/19/07