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Cynthia T. Brown, Chief
Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
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Re: **Docket No. AB-303 (Sub-No. 48X)**
Wisconsin Central Ltd. – Discontinuance
of Service Exemption – In Waupaca County, Wisconsin

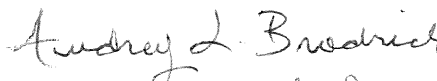
Dear Ms. Brown:

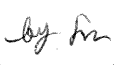
On August 31, 2017, the Surface Transportation Board (the “Board”) served and published in the Federal Register notification of Wisconsin Central Ltd.’s (“WCL”) intent to discontinue service over (but not to abandon) approximately 10.3 miles of rail line beginning at milepost 40.0 in New London, Wisconsin, and extending to milepost 50.3 in Manawa, Wisconsin, Waupaca County, Wisconsin (the “Line”). A map showing the Line is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

WCL wishes to advise the Board that, as of September 30, 2017, it has exercised its authority under the exemption, and has discontinued service over the Line. The Board does not require that parties authorized to discontinue rail common carrier service notify the Board of discontinuance “consummation.” Rather, 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29(e)(2) requires timely notices of consummation from those acting upon authority to *abandon* a rail line. Accordingly, WCL offers this advisory as a courtesy and as information to clarify the Line’s current legal status and to acknowledge the Board’s continuing jurisdiction over the Line.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions concerning this filing.

Sincerely,



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Counsel for Wisconsin Central Ltd.

cc: All parties of record
Thomas J. Healey

Discontinuance: New London, WI (MP 40.0) to Manawa, WI (MP 50.3)

