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VIA E-FILING

Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration, Office of
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Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street SW
Washington, DC 20024

Re: Kiski Junction Railroad, Inc. – Abandonment Exemption –
in Armstrong and Westmorland Counties, PA
Surface Transportation Board Docket No. AB 1317X
Response to Request for Substitution of Interim Trail Sponsor

Dear Ms. Brown:

Kiski Junction Railroad, Inc. ("KJRR") hereby files this response to the letter-request filed with the Board on July 22, 2022 on behalf of Armstrong Trails, Inc. ("Armstrong Trails"), the existing trail sponsor, and Armstrong County, Pennsylvania ("Armstrong County"), the proposed future trail sponsor, requesting that the Board reopen the abandonment exemption, vacate the existing NITU and issue an appropriate replacement NITU to allow Armstrong County to substitute as the trail sponsor with respect to the "Rail Line" (as defined in the letter-request).

To the extent required, KJRR hereby advises the Board that KJRR supports the proposed substitution of trail sponsors, and that it is willing to negotiate an interim trail use agreement with Armstrong County. KJRR confirms that it has not consummated the abandonment of the Rail Line, and that it will not consummate the abandonment while the Board considers the substitution request.

I hereby certify that a copy of this letter was served by email on all parties of record as shown below.

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Please let me know if there are any questions regarding this filing.

Respectfully,

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/s/ Eric M. Hocky

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