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By UPS overnight mail

Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
Case Control Unit, Suite 713
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: Docket No. AB-103 (Sub-No. 18X), *The Kansas City Southern Railway Company*
-- *Abandonment Exemption* -- in Winn Parish, LA

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed please find an original and 10 copies of Request For Issuance Of A Notice Of Interim Trail Use, for filing with the Board in the above referenced matter.

Also enclosed is L&A Trail, Inc.'s check #1160 in the amount of \$200 for the filing fee.

Very truly yours,

Tom McFarland

Thomas F. McFarland
Attorney for Proposed Trail User

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RAILWAY COMPANY --	)	DOCKET NO. AB-103
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WINN PARISH, LA	)	

**REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF
A NOTICE OF INTERIM TRAIL USE**

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Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29(a), L&A TRAIL, INC. (L&A) hereby requests that the Board issue a Notice of Interim Trail Use (NITU), authorizing L&A to negotiate with The Kansas City Southern Railway Company (KCS) during a 180-day period for railbanking and interim recreational trail use of the right-of-way involved in this proceeding.

The following is submitted in support of that request.

1. Map of the Right-of-Way (49 C.F.R. § 1152.29[a][1])

A map of the involved right-of-way is attached as Appendix 1. The right-of-way extends between Milepost 144.64 at or near Carla and Milepost 147.80 at Winnfield, a distance of 3.16 miles, in Winn Parish, Louisiana.

2. Willingness to Assume Financial Responsibility (49 C.F.R. § 1152.29[a][2])

In order to establish interim trail use and rail banking under 16 U.S.C. § 1247(d) and 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29, L&A is willing to assume full responsibility for management of, for any legal liability arising out of the transfer or use of, and for the payment of any and all taxes that may be levied or assessed against the right-of-way owned and operated by KCS. The property extends between Milepost 114.64 at or near Carla and Milepost 147.80 at Winnfield, a distance of 3.16

miles, in Winn Parish, Louisiana. The right-of-way is part of a line of railroad proposed for abandonment in Docket No. STB AB-103 (Sub-No. 18X).

**3. Continuing Responsibilities; Future Reactivation of Rail Service
(49 C.F.R. § 1152.29[a][3])**

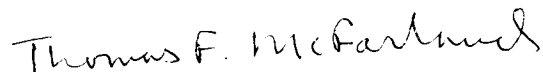
L&A acknowledges that use of the right-of-way is subject to the user's continuing to meet its responsibilities described above and subject to possible future reconstruction and reactivation of the right-of-way for rail service. A copy of this statement is being served on the railroad on the same date it is being served on the Board.

CONCLUSION AND REQUESTED RELIEF

WHEREFORE, the Board should issue a Notice of Interim Trail Use authorizing L&A and KCS to negotiate for railbanking and interim recreational trail use of the right-of-way involved in this proceeding.

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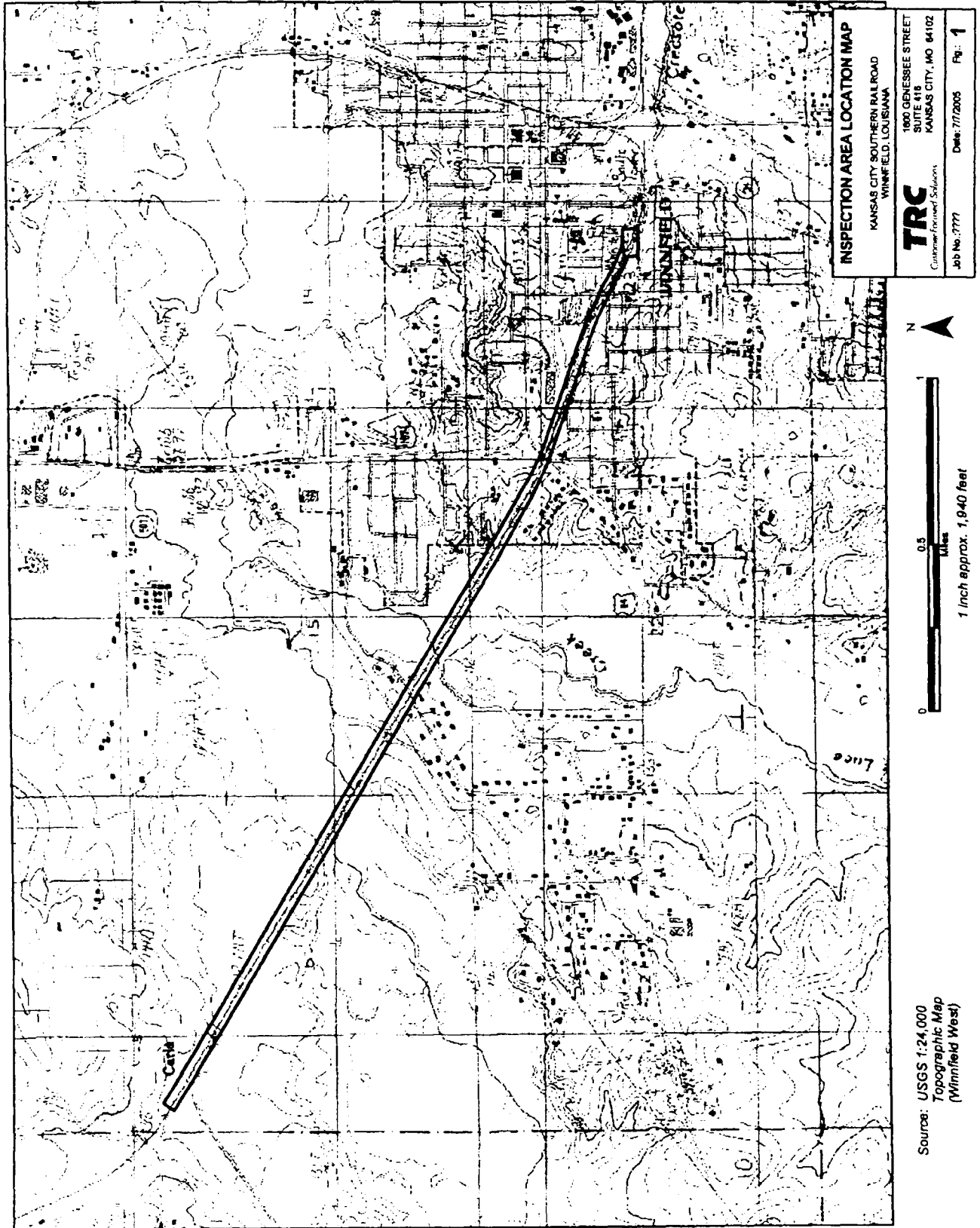


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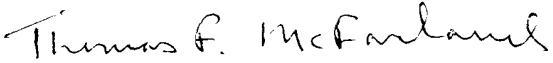
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APPENDIX 1



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on September 6, 2005, I served the foregoing document, Request For Issuance Of A Notice Of Interim Trail Use, by first-class, U.S. mail, postage prepaid, on William A. Mullins, Esq. and David C. Reeves, Esq., Baker & Miller, PLLC, 2401 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 300, Washington, DC 20037.



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