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Re: Docket No. AB 6 (Sub-No. 481X), BNSF Railway Company --  
Abandonment Exemption -- In Walsh and Pembina Counties,  
North Dakota

Dear Ms. Brown:

On April 16, 2012, BNSF Railway Company ("BNSF") filed a Notice of Exemption to abandon service on a 18.12-mile line of railroad located between Milepost 42.08, at Grafton, and Milepost 60.20, at Glasston, in Walsh and Pembina Counties, North Dakota (the "Line").

By decision served May 4, 2012, the Surface Transportation Board ("Board") granted the requested exemption effective June 5, 2012. In that decision, the Board noted that the abandonment must be consummated by May 4, 2013, if there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation.

Because salvage activities on the Line are still ongoing, BNSF respectfully requests an extension of the consummation deadline until September 4, 2013.

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If you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karl Morell".

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