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HAND DELIVERY

Ms. Victoria Rutson
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Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

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

Dear Ms. Rutson:

Recently, we received a response from the Louisiana State Historic Preservation Officer, one of the agencies we consulted in regards to The Kansas City Southern Railway Company's ("KCSR's") proposed abandonment of 3.16 miles of railroad track located near Winnfield, Winn Parish, Louisiana, running from milepost 144.64 to milepost 147.80 (the "Line"). I enclose the original letter received from the agency for inclusion in the Surface Transportation Board's database.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact William A. Mullins, counsel for KCSR by telephone at (202) 663-7823, by e-mail at wmullins@bakerandmiller.com, or by mail at the address shown above.

Sincerely,

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Legal Assistant

Enclosure

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Date: 8-25-05

No known archaeological sites or historic properties will be affected by this undertaking. This effect determination could change should new information come to our attention.

Pam Breaux: Pam Breaux
State Historic Preservation Officer

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

Dear Sir or Madam:

On or about August 15, 2005, The Kansas City Southern Railway Company ("KCSR") expects to file with the Surface Transportation Board ("STB") a Notice of Exemption pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1152.50, Subpart F, seeking to abandon 3.16 miles of railroad track located near Winnfield, Winn Parish, Louisiana, running from milepost 144.64 to milepost 147.80 (the "Line"). The Line runs through United States Postal Zip Code 71483. Enclosed is an Environmental and Historic Report describing the proposed action and any expected environmental and historic effects, as well as a map of the affected area.

We are providing this report so that you may review the information that will form the basis for the STB's independent environmental analysis of this proceeding. If any of the information is misleading or incorrect, if you believe that pertinent information is missing, or if you have any questions about the STB's environmental review process, please contact the Section of Environmental Analysis ("SEA"), Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20423-0001; TEL: (202) 565-1545 and refer to STB Docket No. AB-103 (Sub-No. 18X).

Because the applicable statutes and regulations impose stringent deadlines for processing this action, your written comments to the SEA (at the address provided in the above paragraph) along with a copy to KCSR's representative (at the address provided in the paragraph below) would be appreciated within three weeks. Your comments will be considered by the STB in evaluating the environmental and/or historic preservation impacts of the contemplated action.

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