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Mr. Kenneth Blodgett  
Surface Transportation Board  
Case Control Unit  
Washington, DC 20423

Dear Mr. Blodgett:

We have reviewed Docket No. AB-6 (Sub No. 426X) – The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – in Matagorda and Wharton Counties, Texas.

The NRCS agrees with the findings. We do not require any permits, easements, or approvals for activities such as this.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this proposed project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry D. Butler".

For

LARRY D. BUTLER, Ph.D.  
State Conservationist