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Subject: Consolidated Rail Corp. – Abandonment Exemption, Jersey City, NJ  
AB 167 (Sub-no. 1189X) and related proceedings

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE

New Jersey Committee  
For The East Coast Greenway

Dear Ms. Quinlan:

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This letter is on behalf of the EAST COAST GREENWAY ALLIANCE. We wish to be a party to the abandonment proceeding for the Harsimus Branch, subject as above.

The East Coast Greenway is a 3,000 mile trail system linking 25 major cities from Maine to Florida. It links together publicly owned, firm-surfaced trails creating a pathway for non-motorized travelers including walkers, cyclists, skiers, skaters, and wheel-chair users. This pathway can be used not only for health and adventure but also for commuters thus reducing vehicular traffic, congestion and air pollution.

The path across New Jersey runs 78 miles between Pennsylvania and New York, passing through major urban areas – Jersey City, Newark, New Brunswick, and Trenton. It plans to use the 6<sup>th</sup> Street Embankment in its route through Jersey City to the Hudson River waterfront. Because of its importance to the millions of New Jersey residents as well as tourists, the New Jersey Department of Transportation has recently printed a map of the East Coast Greenway across New Jersey.

For all the above reasons, this letter will serve as notice of our intent to participate in the upcoming abandonment proceeding for the Harsimus Branch.

By the signature below, we certify service by U. S. Mail, postage prepaid, first class on Mr. John Enright, Associate General Counsel, Conrail, 1000 Howard Blvd., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054.

Respectfully submitted,

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