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HAND DELIVERY

Ms. Victoria Rutson
Director, Section of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

RE: STB Docket No. AB-308 (Sub-No. 4X), *Central Michigan
Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – Line In Kent County, MI*

Dear Ms. Rutson:

Recently we received a response from the State of Michigan, Department of Environmental Quality (State Coastal Zone Management Office), one of the agencies we consulted with in regards to the above abandonment in Kent County, Michigan. 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 Central Michigan Railway Company by telephone at (202) 663-7823, by e-mail at wmullins@bakerandmiller.com, or by mail at the address shown above.

Sincerely,


Crystal M. Zorbaugh
Legal Assistant

Enclosure



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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
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STEVEN E. CHESTER
DIRECTOR

March 11, 2009

Mr. William A. Mullins
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Dear Mr. Mullins:

SUBJECT: Federal Consistency Determination for Proposed Central Michigan
Railway Company Abandonment Exemption for line in Grand Rapids, Kent
County

Staff of the Land and Water Management Division has reviewed this phase of the project for consistency with Michigan's Coastal Management Program (CMP), as required by Section 307 of the Coastal Zone Management Act, PL 92-583, as amended. Thank you for providing the opportunity to review this proposed activity.

Our review indicates that this project is located outside of Michigan's coastal management boundary. No adverse impacts to coastal resources are anticipated from this proposed activity as described in the information you forwarded to our office. Therefore, this phase of the project is consistent with the CMP.

This consistency determination does not waive the need for permits that may be required under other federal, state or local statutes.

Sincerely,

Chris Antieau
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cc: Ms. Catherine Ballard, DEQ