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BEFORE THE
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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Docket No. AB-364 (Sub-No. 11X)

MID-MICHIGAN RAILROAD, INC.—ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION—
IN KENT AND MONTCALM COUNTIES, MI

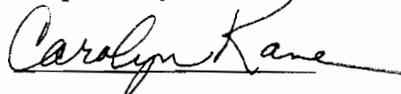
STATEMENT OF WILLINGNESS TO ASSUME FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

In order to establish interim trail use and rail banking under 16 U.S.C. §1247(d) and 49 CFR §1152.29, West Michigan Trails and Greenways Coalition ("WMTGC") is willing to assume full responsibility for management of, for any legal liability arising out of the transfer or use of, and for the payment of any and all taxes that may be levied or assessed against the right-of-way owned and operated by Mid-Michigan Railroad, Inc. ("MMRR"). The property, known as Lowell to Greenville Line, extends from railroad milepost 103.20 near Lowell, to railroad milepost 81.32, near Greenville, a distance of 21.88 miles in Kent and Montcalm Counties, MI. The right-of-way is part of a line of railroad proposed for abandonment in Docket No. STB AB-364 (Sub-No. 11X).

A map of the property depicting the right-of-way is attached.

WMTGC acknowledges that use of the right-of-way is subject to the user's continuing to meet its responsibilities described above and subject to possible future reconstruction and reactivation of the right-of-way for rail service. A copy of this statement is being served on the MMRR on the same date it is being served on the Board.

Respectfully submitted,



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