

**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**  
**SECTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS**

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**POST ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN STB DOCKET NO. AB-988 (Sub-No.1X)

August 7, 2007

**ABANDONMENT TYPE**

The time for comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) has expired in this:

( ) Notice of Exemption (X) Petition for Exemption ( ) Regulated Abandonment

(X) **NO NEW COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED**

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SEA served an Environmental Assessment (EA) for this proceeding on July 3, 2007 for public review and comment. In the EA, SEA recommended two environmental conditions and concluded that the proposed action would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment.

**Conclusions**

The EA comment period has ended. Accordingly, SEA recommends that the following conditions previously recommended in the EA should be imposed upon any decision granting abandonment authority:

1. Nebkota Railway, Inc. shall notify the National Geodetic Survey (NGS) at least 90 days prior to beginning any salvage activities in order to plan for the possible relocation of geodetic station markers by NGS.
2. Nebkota Railway, Inc. shall consult with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Grand Island, Nebraska, prior to the initiation of salvage activities on the line proposed for abandonment.

If the above conditions are imposed, SEA believes that the proposed action will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

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