

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD  
SECTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

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**POST ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN STB DOCKET NO. AB-33 (Sub-No. 254X)

October 22, 2007

**ABANDONMENT TYPE**

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

(X) Notice of Exemption ( ) 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 October 2, 2007 for public review and comment. In the EA, SEA recommended the following environmental condition and concluded that the proposed action would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment providing the imposition of the following condition:

**The Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) shall retain its interest in and take no steps to alter the historic integrity of all sites, buildings, structures, objects or districts within the right-of-way (the Area of Potential Effect) that are eligible for listing or listed in the National Register of Historic Places (generally, 50 years old or older) until the Section 106 process of the National Historic Preservation Act, 16 U.S.C. 470f, has been completed. UP shall report back to the Section of Environmental Analysis regarding any consultations with the SHPO and any other Section 106 consulting parties. UP may not file its consummation notice or initiate any salvage activities related to abandonment (including removal of tracks and ties) until the Section 106 process has been completed and the Board has removed this condition.**

**Conclusion**

Based on all information provided from all sources to date, SEA concludes that if the above recommended condition is imposed, abandonment of the Line will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment. No new conditions are recommended.

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