

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

#EO-771  
AB-364 13X

**POST ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN STB DOCKET NO. AB-364 (Sub-No. 13X)

**January 4, 2008**

**ABANDONMENT TYPE**

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

Notice of Exemption    Petition for Exemption    Regulated Abandonment

**NO NEW COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED**

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SEA served an Environmental Assessment (EA) for this proceeding on December 14, 2007 for public review and comment. In the EA, SEA recommended one (1) environmental condition and concluded that the proposed action would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment.

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. The Mid-Michigan Railroad, Inc. (MMRR) shall retain its interest in and take no steps to alter the historic integrity of all historic properties including sites, buildings, structures, and objects within the project right-of-way (the Area of Potential Effect) that are eligible for listing or listed in the National Register of Historic Places until the Section 106 process of the National Historic Preservation Act, 16 U.S.C. 470f, has been completed. MMRR shall report back to the Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) regarding any consultations with the State Historic Preservation Office and the public. MMRR 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.

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