

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
SECTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

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POST ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN STB DOCKET NO. AB-32 (Sub-No. 53X)

August 1, 2007

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 July 13, 2007 for public review and comment. In the EA, SEA recommended one environmental condition 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 condition previously recommended in the EA should be imposed upon any decision granting abandonment authority:

If any salvage activities or land disturbance occurs within the right-of-way, Boston and Maine Corporation shall consult with the National Geodetic Survey (NGS) 90 days prior to beginning salvage activities in order to allow NGS to plan for the possible relocation of the geodetic station markers.

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

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