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Surface Transportation Board  
Section of Environmental Analysis  
395 East Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20423-0001

RE: CSXT Abandonment  
Fulton and Clayton Counties, GA  
STB Docket AB-55 (Sub-No. 687X)

Dear STB - SEA:

This refers to CSX Transportation's Notice of Exemption filed on July 25, 2008, requesting authority to abandon its rail line described above. Enclosed please find a copy of a letter that is not dated but received on August 14, 2008 from Mr. Mark Nuhfer - Acting Chief of the US EPA Region 4 stating *"Please be aware that this activity would be subject to the requirements of the Clean Water Act (CWA) if, in the process of dismantling the track, one acre or more of land is disturbed by clearing or grading and if storm water discharges from this disturbance enter a surface water body..."* the letter further states *"Please rely on the response you received from the State for final determination in this matter."*

Since CSXT intends on salvaging track in accordance with the information submitted in its environmental report, no grading or clearing will take place that would result in the discharge of any water into any waterway and the salvage activities will merely be the removal of track material, one or more acre should not be impacted. Therefore, CSXT respectfully submits that a permit under Section 402 will not be necessary.

Sincerely,

Attachments

E-Copy: Mr. Steven Armbrust, CSXT, 500 Water Street-J150, Jacksonville, FL, 32202  
Mr. Lou Gitomer, 600 Baltimore Ave, Suite 301, Towson, MD 21204



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Mr. Dave Geraci  
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Dear Mr. Geraci:

This letter is in response to your letter of June 9, 2008, requesting comments from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on the abandonment of a portion of CSX Transportation, Inc., rail line in College Park, Fulton and Clayton counties, Georgia.

Please be aware that this activity would be subject to the requirements of the Clean Water Act (CWA) if, in the process of dismantling the track, one acre or more of land is disturbed by clearing or grading and if storm water discharges from this disturbance enter a surface water body, either by direct conveyance (pipe, ditch, etc.), or through a municipal separate storm sewer system. Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GAEPD) has been authorized to implement the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination system (NPDES) permit program, under Section 402 of the CWA. Please rely on the response you receive from the State for a final determination in this matter.

If EPA can be of further assistance to you in this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mark Nuhfer".

Mark Nuhfer, Acting Chief  
NPDES & Biosolids Permits Section  
Permits, Grants, and Technical Assistance Branch

cc: Dominic Weatherill, GAEPD