

BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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To the Secretary of the Board:

Pursuant to the Application filed on or about January 4, 2013 by BNSF Railway Company (“BNSF”), seeking authority to abandon a line of railroad in Fulton County, Illinois, Hitchcock Scrap Yard, Inc., a non-carrier, hereby advises the Board and parties of record of its intent to file an Offer of Financial Assistance (“OFA”) under 49 CFR 1152.27. The OFA is to purchase all or part of the rail line extending from Farmington, Illinois (MP 52.2) to Dunfermline, Illinois (MP 66.7), a distance of 14.5 miles in Fulton County, Illinois.

In connection with this notice of intent to file an OFA, HSY requests that BNSF provide the information set forth in 49 CFR 1152.27 (a) including the minimum purchase price required to acquire the line. HSY also requests that BNSF provide all data necessary to determine the estimate of net liquidation value of the line together with supporting data reflecting available real estate appraisals, assessments of the quality and the quantity of track material in the line and removal cost estimate used to obtain the net liquidation value.

HSY also requests that the Board toll period for submitting offers of financial assistance for an additional 30 days in order to provide HSY with an adequate opportunity to review and analyze

the material provided by BNSF and submit its OFA. This extension is consistent with the national transportation policy and will not unfairly prejudice the interests of any party.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing instrument was served on February 4, 2013, by first class U.S. mail, and by facsimile or e-mail transmission, if available, upon:

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