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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
Chief of the Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
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RE: Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 718X) *CSX Transportation, Inc.—Abandonment
Exemption—in Alachua County, FLA*

Dear Ms. Brown:

By notice served and published in the Federal Register on December 10, 2013, the Surface Transportation Board (the “Board”) exempted the abandonment of approximately 11.62 miles of rail line on CSX Transportation, Inc.’s (“CSXT”) Southern Region, Jacksonville Division, West Coast Subdivision, between milepost AR 716.88, at High Springs, and milepost AR 726.69, at Newberry, and milepost ARB 717.11, a High Springs, and milepost ARB 718.92, at High Springs, in Alachua County, Fla. By decision served on April 25, 2014, the Board reopened the proceeding and imposed three environmental conditions. CSXT has not yet consummated abandonment.

On July 19, 2019, the Georgetown and High Line Railway Company, LLC (“GHL”) filed a request for a Notice of Interim Trail Use over the entire 11.62-mile line. CSXT agreed to the request. On August 20, 2019, the Board served an NITU authorizing negotiations between GHLR and CSXT for a 180 day period ending February 16, 2020.

GHL and CSXT have continued to negotiate during this time and even though they have made progress, they have not reached a final agreement. CSXT has not yet consummated abandonment of the Line.

GHL respectfully requests that the Board grant a one year extension of the negotiation period until February 16, 2021.

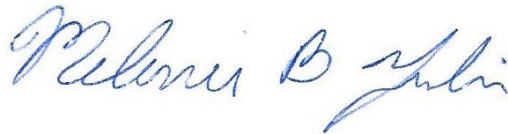
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GHLR is efilng this request for an extension of the negotiating period. The filing fee of \$550 has been paid.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Melanie B. Yasbin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Melanie B. Yasbin

Attorney for Georgetown and High Line

Railway Company, LLC

cc: Steve Armbrust - CSXT