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Below is NARPO's Comment Letter to the STB on AB 565-1X.
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AB 565-1X Abandonment Exemption

The Town (Town) of Sudbury is again asking for another one year NITU extension. The Town assumes the new STB rules on NITU extensions grants the Town another one year extension. NARPO believes that the essence of the new STB NITU extension rules does not pertain to extensions that have been a series of ongoing extensions since 2001, 19 years and counting. The town has been using the same excuses for the past many years to seek NITU extensions.

It is NARPO's belief the one year extension that is mentioned in the new STB NITU extension rules pertains to NITU extensions that fall between the fourth and fifth year, not the nineteenth year.

NARPO requests the STB to decline to extend the NITU in AB 565-1X.

NARPO has sent a copy of this Comment Letter to the Parties of Record, Town of Sudbury, MA., Lou Gitimor, Town of Farmingham, MA., CSX.

Richard Welsh--Executive director-NARPO