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Cynthia T. Brown
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Surface Transportation Board
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Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company - Abandonment Exemption - In Hudson and
Essex Counties, New Jersey
Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 408X)
Request for Extension of NITU

Dear Ms. Brown:

By decision served September 29, 2020, the Board permitted the abandonment of an approximately 8.6 mile line (the "Line") by Norfolk Southern Railway Company ("NSR"), subject to an interim trail use condition permitting Open Space Institute Land Trust, Inc. ("OSI"), as the proposed trail sponsor, to negotiate interim trail use and rail banking with NSR. The initial negotiating period will expire on September 29, 2021, unless extended.

OSI and NSR have not finalized their negotiations for interim trail use, and both parties desire to continue the negotiations. Accordingly, pursuant to 49 CFR 1152.29(d)(1)(ii), the parties request that the Board extend the negotiating period for a one-year period until September 29, 2022, to allow the parties the necessary time to reach agreement.

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By my signature below, I certify service by e-mail of a copy of this request on counsel for Norfolk Southern Railway Company and on the other parties of record.

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Thank you for your assistance. Please let me know if there are any questions regarding this request.

Respectfully,

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/s/ Eric M. Hocky

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