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VIA E-FILING

Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration, Office of
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Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street SW
Washington, DC 20024

Re: Kiski Junction Railroad, Inc. – Abandonment Exemption –
in Armstrong and Westmorland Counties, PA
Surface Transportation Board Docket No. AB 1317X
Response to Request for Substitution of Interim Trail Sponsor

Dear Ms. Brown:

Kiski Junction Railroad, Inc. ("KJRR") hereby files this response to the late-filed Petition for Issuance of a Notice of Interim Trail Use ("NITU") filed with the Board on July 22, 2022 on behalf of Armstrong County, Pennsylvania ("Armstrong County"). Armstrong County seeks a NITU with respect to the "Spur Track" as defined in the Petition. Because the Spur Track is ancillary track under 49 USC 10906, although it connects with the Rail Line that is the subject of this abandonment proceeding, it was not included as not part of the Rail Line. KJRR confirms that it has not fully abandoned the Spur Track.

To the extent Board determines that it has jurisdiction to issue a NITU with respect to the Spur Track, KJRR hereby advises the Board that KJRR is willing to negotiate an interim trail use agreement with Armstrong County.

I hereby certify that a copy of this letter was served by email on all parties of record as shown below.

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Please let me know if there are any questions regarding this filing.

Respectfully,

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/s/ Eric M. Hocky

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