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Ms. Cynthia Brown
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423

Re: **Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 812X), CSX Transportation, Inc.—Abandonment
Exemption—in Cuyahoga County, OH**

Dear Ms. Brown:

In the Notice of Exemption filed by CSX Transportation, Inc. (“CSXT”) on August 14, 2023, CSXT sought authority to abandon an approximately 1.3-mile rail line that runs between milepost BJB 73.21 and milepost BJB 74.51, on its Cleveland Subdivision in Cuyahoga County, OH (the “Line”). On page 3, CSXT stated that it “intends to sell the Line to the City of Cleveland through the NITU process.” CSXT has received a request from a third party (which is not the City of Cleveland) to negotiate the sale of a portion of the Line in the vicinity of milepost BJB 74.26 (the “Portion”). CSXT withdraws the representation in the Notice of Exemption that it intends to sell the entire Line to the City of Cleveland for trail use.

In the event CSXT and the third party enter an agreement for the purchase and sale of the Portion, CSXT will first comply with any conditions imposed by the Surface Transportation Board and consummate the abandonment of the Portion, before transferring the Portion to the third party. With respect to the remainder of the Line¹, CSXT intends to negotiate trail use for the remainder of the Line that connects to the national rail system with any party, including the City of Cleveland, that files a Notice of Interim Trail Use pursuant to 49 CFR 1152.29, as well as other parties for other uses.

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

Respectfully submitted

/s/ *Louis E. Gitomer*
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¹ Including the Portion if an agreement cannot be reached with the third party.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have this day served copies of the document upon all parties of record in this proceeding by first class mail postage pre-paid or email.

/s/ *Louis E. Gitomer*

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