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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
WASHINGTON, DC 20423

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Docket No. AB 1296 (Sub-No. 1X)

**R.J. Corman Railroad Property, LLC – Abandonment Exemption –
In Campbell County, Tenn.**

ABANDONMENT TYPE

The time for comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA) has expired in this:
() Notice of Exemption (X) Petition for Exemption () Regulated Abandonment

(X) NO NEW COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED

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In this proceeding, R.J. Corman Property, LLC (RJC) filed a petition for exemption with the Surface Transportation Board under 49 U.S.C. § 10502 from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 10903 seeking to abandon approximately 3.67 miles of long-dormant rail line in Campbell County, Tennessee. The rail line extends from the Oneida Line¹ at milepost 33 and travels approximately 2.0 miles along a creek known as the Beech Fork before reaching a junction that forks in a southeasterly direction and travels for approximately 1.67 miles along another creek known as the Stony Fork before dead-ending at the Clinchmore Mine in Clinchmore (the Line). The Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) served a Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA) for this proceeding on January 9, 2024 for public review and comment. In the Draft EA, OEA recommended no environmental conditions and concluded that the proposed action would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment.

Conclusions

The Draft EA comment period has ended, and no conditions are recommended by OEA. Accordingly, OEA believes that the proposed action will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

By the Board, Danielle Gosselin, Director, Office of Environmental Analysis.

¹ The Oneida Line extends from milepost 0.96 at or near Oneida, Tennessee, to the end of the line at milepost 42.0 at or near Devonia, Tennessee, a distance of approximately 41.05 miles in Scott, Campbell, and Anderson Counties, Tennessee. The Oneida Line has a single rail connection at Oneida, Tennessee with Norfolk Southern Railway Company.