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Ms. Danielle Gosselin
Director, Office of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423

Re: **Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 816X), CSX Transportation, Inc.—Abandonment
Exemption—in Pike County, KY**

Dear Ms. Gosselin:

Enclosed for electronic filing is a letter dated September 19, 2024, from the Kentucky Heritage Council finding that “the proposed project has little to no impact on historic age architectural resources” and that the SHPO “concurs with a determination of No Historic Properties Affected for this undertaking.” Based on this letter, CSX Transportation, Inc. respectfully requests removal of the Section 106 Historic Preservation condition imposed by decision on August 28, 2024 in this docket.

Sincerely yours,



Melanie B. Yasbin
Attorney for CSX Transportation, Inc.

Enclosure



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Kevin Hardee
CSX Transportation, Inc.
Via email: Kevin_Hardee@CSX.com

RE: STB Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 816X), CSX Transportation, Inc.—Abandonment Exemption—in Pike County, KY

Dear Mr. Hardee,

Thank you for your recent digital submission of documents pertaining to the above-referenced project. We understand that the Federal Railroad Administration is the lead federal agency. CSX Transportation proposes to abandon 5.1 miles of railline in Zebulon, Pike County, Kentucky. The rail and crossties will be removed and salvaged.

Based on our review, the proposed project has little to no impact on historic age architectural resources.

This project lies predominantly on land previously disturbed by railroad and roadway construction. An archaeological survey is not warranted. In the unlikely event that human remains are discovered, work should cease immediately, and the county coroner and the Kentucky Heritage Council should be contacted.

This office concurs with a determination of **No Historic Properties Affected** for this undertaking. Should a US Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) permit be required, we look forward to continued consultation on this project. Should you have any questions or concerns, or should plans for this undertaking change, please feel free to contact Ellis Codd or Kimberly Busby of my staff at ellis.codd@ky.gov and kimberly.busby@ky.gov.

Sincerely,

Craig Potts
Executive Director and
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