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Surface Transportation Board

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Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

Dear Mr. Assenza:

On or about June 26, 2025, counsel for Norfolk Southern Railway Company (“NSR”), Crystal M. Zorbaugh, received feedback from you at the Surface Transportation Board’s (“Board”) Office of Environmental Analysis (“OEA”) regarding a possible mistake in the originally provided letter accompanying NSR’s Combined Environmental and Historic Report (“Report”), related to the proposed abandonment in the above-stated docket. Upon review, it appears that some of NSR’s transmittal letters may have incorrectly stated that NSR will not be conducting salvage operations. Accordingly, NSR provides notice to you at the Board’s OEA that it promptly sent the enclosed letters today to the required entities as prescribed by 49 C.F.R. § 1105.7(b) and 1105.8(c) via first-class mail clarifying that, as stated (in the body of the Report), following the abandonment, the Line’s rail and related track material will be salvaged.

If there are any questions concerning this letter, please contact me, NSR’s representative, by mail: Spencer M. Naake, Mullins Law Group PLLC, 2001 L Street, NW, Suite 720, Washington, DC 20036; by FAX: (202) 765-3189; by e-mail: snaake@mullinslawgroup.net; or by telephone: (202) 663-7829.

Sincerely,

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Mayor Ann Womer Benjamin
City of Aurora
130 South Chillicothe Road
Aurora, OH 44202

Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

Dear Mayor Benjamin,

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Geauga County Commissioners
(Carolyn Brakey, Esq./ James Dvorak/ Ralph Spidalieri)
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Chardon, OH 44024

Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

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Denise Januska, Director
City of Aurora Planning, Zoning & Building
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Aurora, OH 44202

Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

Dear Ms. Januska,

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Commissioner Mike Tinlin, President
Portage County Commissioners
449 South Meridian Street
Administration Building 7th Floor
Ravenna, OH 44266

Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

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City of Solon
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Solon, OH 44139

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Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

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City of Solon
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Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

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June 27, 2025

Mr. Chris Ronayne
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June 27, 2025

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June 27, 2025

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Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

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Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

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Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

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Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

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Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

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Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

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Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

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June 27, 2025

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Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

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Re: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-290 (Sub-No. 418X); Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC – Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio, AB-1257 (Sub-No. 1X)

Dear Ms. Boratyn,

On or about April 7, 2025, Norfolk Southern Railway Company (“NSR”) provided you with a Combined Environmental and Historic Report (“Report”) related to the proposed abandonment in the above-stated docket. Since then, counsel for NSR has received feedback from the Board’s Office of Environmental Analysis regarding a possible mistake in the originally provided letter accompanying the Report. Subsequent to distribution of the Report, on June 5, 2025, NSR and Cleveland & Cuyahoga Railway, LLC submitted their jointly-filed verified abandonment and discontinuance of service notice of exemption to the Surface Transportation Board (“Board”) seeking the Board’s authority for NSR to abandon rail service and CCRL to discontinue lease and operation authority over an approximately 7.0-mile long rail line, extending from Milepost RH 15.0 +/- to approximately Milepost RH 22.0 +/- in Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Portage Counties, Ohio (the “Line”).

It appears that some of NSR’s transmittal letters may have incorrectly stated that NSR will not be conducting salvage operations. NSR provides this clarification to confirm as stated (in the body of the Report), following the abandonment, the Line’s rail and related track material will be salvaged as described within the Report. NSR apologizes for any inconvenience related to this misstatement. If there are any questions concerning this letter, please contact me, NSR’s representative, by mail: Crystal Zorbaugh, Mullins Law Group PLLC, 2001 L Street, NW, Suite 720, Washington, DC 20036; by FAX: (202) 663-7849; by e-mail: czorbaugh@mullinslawgroup.net; or by telephone: (202) 663-7831.

Sincerely,

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