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RE: Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Rockingham, Shenandoah, and Warren Counties, Virginia, AB-290 (Sub-No. 425X)

Dear Mr. Mullins:

The Town of Front Royal does not oppose Norfolk Southern Railway Company's proposal to abandon approximately 48.5 miles of connecting rail lines between Broadway and Front Royal. We strongly support preservation of the corridor as a continuous public asset and for potential future transportation purposes. Additionally, the Town of Front Royal's Comprehensive Plan specifically mentions working with other agencies and localities to develop a plan for the Shenandoah Valley Rail Trail.

Sincerely,

Lori A. Cockrell

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Cc (correspondence via email):
Joseph W. Petty, Town Manager