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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
Chief of the Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
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RE: **Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 694X), CSX Transportation, Inc.– Abandonment
Exemption–in McMinn County, TN**

Dear Ms. Brown:

A Decision and Notice of Interim Trail Use was served in *CSX Transportation, Inc.– Abandonment Exemption–in McMinn County, TN*, Docket No. 55 (Sub-No. 694X) (served August 13, 2009) for an approximately 6.4-mile rail line, known as the Athens Branch, on its Southern Region, Huntington-West Division, KD Subdivision between milepost OKW 327, at Englewood, and milepost OKW 333.4, at Athens, in McMinn County, TN (the “Line”). Since service of that decision, CSX Transportation, Inc. (“CSXT”) and McMinn County, TN (the “County”) have been negotiating trail use.

On April 22, 2019, CSXT and the County notified the Surface Transportation Board that they had entered a Purchase Sale Agreement (the “Agreement”) for the rail banking/interim trail use of the for a portion of the Line. It has been brought to the parties attention that the mileposts in the April 22, 2019 letter were incorrect. This letter withdraws the prior notice and notifies the Board that the an agreement has been reached and the purchase and sale of the portion of the Line between milepost OKW 332.61 and milepost OKW 328.47 (the “Trail Line”) has been consummated by CSXT and the County.

With respect to the Trail Line, as required by 49 CFR 1152.29(a)(2), CSXT and the County certify that, under section 22.2 of the Agreement, that the County has agreed that upon the conveyance of the Premises to the County pursuant to the terms of the Agreement (the “Conveyance”), that the County shall assume full responsibility for: (i) managing the Premises; (ii) and will, pursuant to the Agreement, indemnify CSXT against any potential legal liability arising out of the transfer or use of the Premises; and (iii) the payment of any and all taxes that may be levied or assessed against the Premises after the Conveyance.

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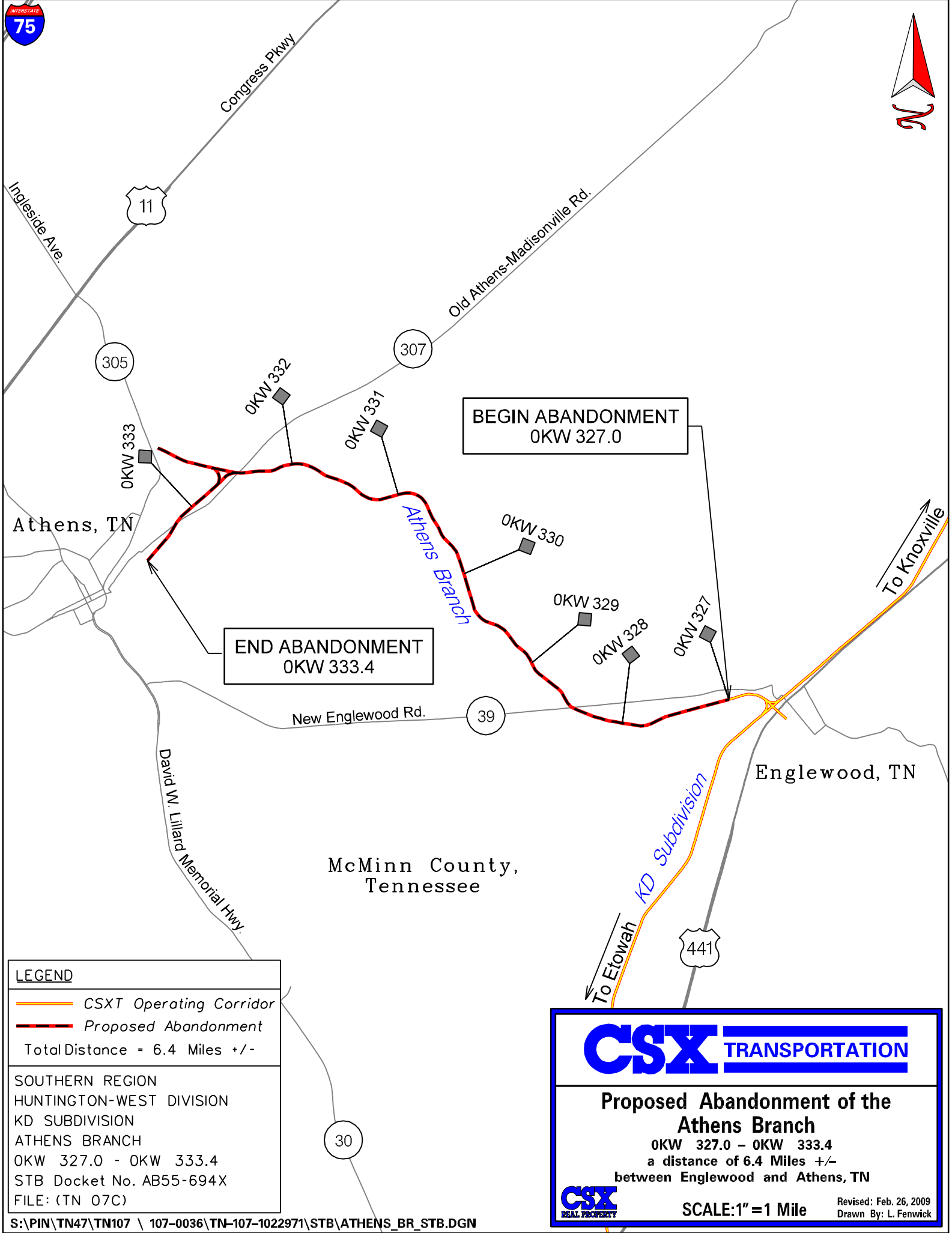
The filing of this letter has been authorized by CSXT and the County. This letter is being efiled. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please call or email me.

Sincerely yours,

Louis E. Gitomer

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Attorney for CSX Transportation, Inc.

Enclosure
Cc: Mr. Fesmire



LEGEND

CSXT Operating Corridor

Proposed Abandonment

Total Distance = 6.4 Miles +/-

SOUTHERN REGION
HUNTINGTON-WEST DIVISION
KD SUBDIVISION
ATHENS BRANCH
OKW 327.0 - OKW 333.4
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FILE: (TN 07C)

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**Proposed Abandonment of the
Athens Branch**

OKW 327.0 - OKW 333.4
a distance of 6.4 Miles +/-
between Englewood and Athens, TN

SCALE: 1" = 1 Mile

Revised: Feb. 26, 2009
Drawn By: L. Fenwick

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