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**Re: STB Docket No. AB 1076X, Caddo Valley Railroad Company –
Abandonment Exemption – In Clark, Pike and
Montgomery Counties, Arkansas**

**STB Docket No. AB 1076 (Sub-No. 1X), Caddo Valley
Railroad Company – Abandonment Exemption – in
Pike and Clark Counties, Arkansas**

Dear Ms. Brown:

Please substitute the undersigned as counsel for Caddo Valley Railroad Company (“CVRR”) in the above proceedings. My address and telephone number are:

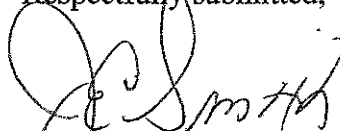
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The Notice of Interim Trail ("NITU") issued by the Board on February 27, 2013 in these proceedings is scheduled to expire on August 26, 2013. The West Central Arkansas Planning and Development District, Inc., which requested issuance of the NITU, has elected not to pursue negotiations for interim trail use. Accordingly, CVRR's abandonment exemption will expire on October 25, 2013 (60 days after expiration of the NITU).

However, another group interested in pursuing negotiations for interim trail use has emerged, though they are not yet ready to seek a NITU. In the meantime, CVRR has agreed not to consummate the abandonment before February 1, 2014. Either a request for a new NITU will be timely filed with the Board before the deadline for consummating the abandonment exemptions or CVRR will timely request an extension of the consummation deadline.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. E. Smith, Jr.", written over a horizontal line.

James E. Smith, Jr.

Attorney for Caddo Valley Railroad Company

cc: Richard H. Streeter, Esq.