

**Rail Line Abandonment in Pickens County****Joshua Wayland** to: jjmsmcdnld

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Dear Mr. McDonald,

After our conversation over the phone this morning, I wanted to pass along copies of the environmental documents associated with the rail line abandonment in Pickens County in case you haven't had the chance to review them all. Please note that the decision issued on October 26, 2012 requires Pickens Railway Company to "prior to commencement of salvage activities, consult with DHEC regarding salvage and abandonment procedures and comply with all reasonable requirements to ensure minimal adverse environmental impact to adjacent properties" (page 4). This condition was intended to help address the concerns raised by Mr. Smith in his comments and conversations with me. The railroad is not required to report the results of any consultations with DHEC to my office or to the public. However, I see no reason why you could not request information from DHEC and the railroad regarding any consultations that may have occurred. Please feel free to contact me any time if I can be of assistance in providing you with any additional information regarding this case.

Best regards,

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