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FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN

DOCKET NO. AB 551 (SUB-NO. 2X)

April 9, 2015

ABANDONMENT TYPE

The time for comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) has expired in this:

(X) Notice of Exemption () Petition for Exemption () Regulated Abandonment

(X) NO NEW COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED

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In this proceeding, the Knox & Kane Railway Company filed a notice under 49 C.F.R. § 1152.50 seeking approval authority to abandon a 3.9-mile portion of rail line in Mt. Jewett, McKean County, Pennsylvania. The Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) served an Environmental Assessment (EA) in this proceeding on March 23, 2015 for public review and comment. In the EA, OEA recommended one environmental condition and concluded that the proposed action would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment.

Conclusion

The EA comment period has ended and no comments were received. Accordingly, OEA recommends that the one condition recommended in the EA be imposed upon any decision granting abandonment authority. The condition is:

1. **The Knox & Kane Railway Company shall consult with the National Geodetic Survey (NGS) and notify NGS at least 90 days prior to beginning salvage activities that will disturb or destroy any geodetic station markers.**

OEA concludes that if the above condition is imposed, the proposed action would not significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

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