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**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS**

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN
DOCKET NO. AB 33 (Sub-No. 297X)

March 17, 2011

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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OEA served an Environmental Assessment (EA) for this proceeding on February 25, 2011 for public review and comment. In the EA, OEA recommended 2 environmental conditions and concluded that the proposed action would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment.

Comments on the EA

OEA has not received any new comments following the issuance of the EA.

Modifications to the EA

Not applicable.

Conclusions

The comment period has ended. Accordingly, OEA recommends that the following 2 conditions previously recommended in the EA should be imposed upon any decision granting abandonment authority:

1. The Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) railroad shall consult with the Missouri Department of Transportation regarding salvaging and abandonment procedures prior to commencement of any salvage activities.
2. UP shall consult with the U.S. Department of Commerce, 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.

If the above conditions are imposed, OEA believes that the proposed action would not significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

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