

**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS**

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN DOCKET NO. AB 314 (Sub-No. 5X)

September 5, 2012

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**

☐ () **NEW COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED**

OEA served an Environmental Assessment (EA) for this proceeding on August 17, 2012 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.

Conclusions

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

- 1. Chicago Central and Pacific Railroad Company shall comply with the requirements of the Illinois Department of Transportation regarding the removal of the at-grade crossing located at Cermack Road (DOT #289825H). The railroad shall be responsible for patching the roadway and will return any salvaged crossing material and automatic warning devices to IDOT as requested.**

If the above condition is imposed, OEA believes that the proposed action will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

OEA CONTACT: Joshua Wayland (202-245-0330)