

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
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#EO 2081

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN
DOCKET NO. AB 303 (SUB-NO. 40X)

April 12, 2013

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 Wisconsin Central Ltd. (WCL) filed a notice under 49 C.F.R. § 1152.50 seeking approval authority to abandon 1.10 miles of rail line in Outagamie County, Wisconsin. The Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) served an Environmental Assessment (EA) for this proceeding on March 25, 2013 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. Accordingly, OEA recommends that the one condition recommended in the EA should be imposed upon any decision granting abandonment authority. The condition is:

1. Prior to commencement of any salvage activities, Wisconsin Central Ltd. shall consult with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and comply with its reasonable requirements related to salvage.

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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