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Cynthia T. Brown, Chief
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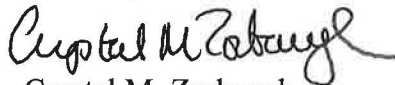
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Re: The Alabama Great Southern Railroad Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Gadsden, Etowah County, Alabama, AB-290 (Sub-No. 335X);
and Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia Railway Company– Abandonment Exemption – In Gadsden, Etowah County, Alabama, AB-290 (Sub-No. 340X)

Dear Ms. Brown:

The Alabama Trails Commission, on behalf of the City of Gadsden, Alabama ("City"), has requested by letter dated August 27, 2019 and entered into the public record on August 28, 2019 that the Board extend the period of time allowed for the parties to negotiate interim trail use/rail banking ("NITU") in the above-captioned proceedings.¹ The Alabama Great Southern Railroad Company and Tennessee, Alabama, and Georgia Railway Company hereby notify the Board that they have not yet consummated the abandonment and desire to consent to the City's request for a 180-day extension of the negotiation period for a possible NITU arrangement on the rail lines that are the subject of the above-referenced proceedings.

Sincerely,



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and Tennessee, Alabama, and Georgia
Railway Company

cc: All Parties of Record
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Scott Plum

¹ Per the Board's stamp decision served March 5, 2019, the NITU period expires, on August 31, 2019.