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Cathy –

Here is the third of three emails today on the subject rail line abandonment – as discussed in my initial email.

Please let me know if you need anything else.

Thanks.

- Rob

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From: Kari Harris

Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2015 10:00 AM

To: Tom Healey; Brian Buchanan; Dave Crader; Raymond Baker; Edd Baswell; Daniel Krause; Martita Mullen; Nathaniel Simpson; Tom Tisa; Michael Matteucci; Paul Sauter

Subject: FW: IFC2015030 proposed railroad line abandonment by Wisconsin Central Ltd. along Lake Michigan in the City of Waukegan

All, please see email below from Jim Casey at Illinois DNR regarding the Illinois Coastal Management Program. Per his email, there is no Federal Consistency Determination required for the Waukegan abandonment, therefore no further consultation with the ICMP is needed.

This should fulfill the federal permitting consultation requirements set forth by the STB, as Tom Healey

described.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks.

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From: Casey, James [<mailto:James.Casey@Illinois.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2015 7:02 AM
To: Kari Harris
Subject: IFC2015030 proposed railroad line abandonment by Wisconsin Central Ltd. along Lake Michigan in the City of Waukegan

Ms. Harris,

Thank you for your email concerning the abandonment of a portion of Wisconsin Central's railroad tracks along Lake Michigan in the City of Waukegan. Rail line abandonments are not listed in the Illinois Coastal Management Program (ICMP) as an activity that will affect any land or water use, or natural resource of the coastal zone. Therefore an ICMP, Federal Consistency Determination will not be required.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

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From: Kari Harris [<mailto:Kari.Harris@cn.ca>]
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2015 2:43 PM
To: Casey, James
Subject: Wisconsin Central Ltd. Waukegan Abandonment

Hi Jim. I'm writing to gather information on how to receive consultation with the ICMP to determine whether the proposed abandonment of a portion of our tracks in Waukegan, IL requires a state coastal management consistency certification? The STB has required that we consult with the Illinois State Coastal Management Office to determine whether a consistency certification is required.

Attached is a Google Earth image showing the location. The proposed abandonment would include only removing existing track and railroad ties, and would not include any grading, clearing or grubbing. The existing track embankment would be left in place. I found on your website reference to sending in a letter as a "federal consistency application". Do you recommend that I send in such a letter, or is this email sufficient?

I appreciate your help.

Thank you.

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