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Victoria Rutson
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Washington, DC 20423

Federal Agency: Surface Transportation Board

Re: Draft Memorandum of Agreement regarding CSX Transportation, Inc.'s acquisition of an operating easement to allow joint use for CSXT trains to operate over 106.5 miles of the Louisville and Indiana Railroad Company (L&I) rail lines and proposed improvements to the rail lines between Indianapolis, IN, MP 4.0, and Louisville, KY, MP 110.5 (FD 35523; DHPA #11979)

Dear Ms. Rutson:

Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. § 470f) and 36 C.F.R. Part 800, the staff of the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer ("Indiana SHPO") has conducted an analysis of the materials dated September 23, 2014 and received on September 24, 2014 for the above indicated project in Indiana.

Thank you for providing our office with a draft copy of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for review. The Indiana SHPO believes the stipulations of the MOA are appropriate to resolve the adverse effect of replacing the bridge at MP 40.19, carrying the Louisville & Indiana Railroad over the Flatrock Creek near Columbus, Indiana; therefore, the Indiana SHPO would be willing to sign a final version of this agreement.

A copy of the revised 36 C.F.R. Part 800 regulations that took effect on August 5, 2004, may be found on the Internet at www.achp.gov for your reference. If you have questions about archaeological issues please contact Cathy Draeger-Williams at (317) 234-3791 or cdraeger-williams@dnr.IN.gov. If you have questions about buildings or structures please contact Chad Slider at (317) 234-5366 or cslider@dnr.IN.gov. Additionally, in all future correspondence regarding the above indicated project, please refer to DHPA #11979.

Very truly yours,

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