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VIA E-MAIL

Ms. Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington DC 20423-0001

RE: *Alabama & Florida Railway Co., Inc. – Abandonment Exemption – In Geneva, Coffee and Covington, Counties, AL* - STB Docket No. AB-1073X

Dear Ms. Rutson:

In a decision served October 5, 2011 in the above captioned proceeding, the Director modified the original Section 106 historic preservation condition imposed in the September 7 decision. The October 5 decision modified the Section 106 condition to allow Alabama & Florida ("A&F") to remove the tracks and ties, but A&F was required to retain its interest in and take no steps to alter the historic integrity of the sites, buildings, and structures within the project right-of-way until the Section 106 process had been completed. The decision also required A&F to report back to Office of Environmental Analysis ("OEA") regarding any consultations with the Alabama State Historic Preservation Officer ("SHPO").

This is to inform you that via an October 25, 2011 letter, which I received via email on October 26, the SHPO informed me that it has completed their Section 106 process and has determined that the line is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The SHPO letter is attached. Accordingly, A&F respectfully requests that the Section 106 condition be removed. If you have any further questions concerning the enclosed materials, please contact me.

Sincerely,



William A. Mullins
Attorney for Alabama & Florida Railway Co., Inc.

Enclosure



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Re: AHC 11-0823
Alabama & Florida Railway Abandonment
Coffee, Covington, & Geneva Counties, Alabama

Dear Mr. Mullins:

Thank you for the additional information relating to the history of this rail line. Upon review of the data, we have determined that the line is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. Therefore, we concur with the proposed project activities.

We appreciate your efforts on this project. Should you have any questions, please contact Greg Rhinehart at (334) 230-2662. Please have the AHC tracking number referenced above available and include it with any correspondence.

Truly yours,

Elizabeth Ann Brown
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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