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Mr. Kevin Keller
HDR Engineering, Inc.
4435 Main Street, Suite 100
Kansas City, MO 64111

RE: CSX Transportation, Inc. Acquisition of Grand Trunk Western Railroad

Dear Mr. Keller,

I am in receipt of your letter requesting input to assist you with identification of possible economic, social or environmental effects that should be considered with regard to the above reference acquisition. I met recently with representatives from CSX to discuss the acquisition and what it would mean for our Village.

The only concerns I have at this time are the condition of several of the crossings located within Lansing. These crossings are in extremely poor condition and are severely in need of attention. They are a hazard to the vehicles when driving over them and are very unsightly with tall weeds and garbage strewn about. It is my hope that CSXT will be more cooperative than GTW Railroad has been in getting our crossings repaired and maintained. It is also my hope that CSXT will consider making one of the crossings located in a residential area a quiet zone crossing. This would definitely improve the quality of life for some of the residents in our Village.

I appreciate the fact that you are seeking the input of local community leaders and look forward to working with everyone toward a smooth transition. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Norman F. Abbott
Mayor