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June 27, 2013

Surface Transportation Board
Office of Environmental Analysis
1925 K Street, NW, Washington DC 20423

RE: Planned Notice of Exemption abandonment by City of Belfast
Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad; STB Docket No.: AB-1109X

To Whom it May Concern:

Enclosed for filing in the above-docketed matter, please find proof of service of the Environmental and Historic Report upon the Maine Historic Preservation Commission. I will forward feedback from the Commission as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration.

By: _____

Kristin M. Collins

Attorney for the City of Belfast

Enc.

**Certificate of Service for 49 CFR 1105.11 Notice
Docket No. AB-1109X**

I, Kristin M. Collins, hereby certify service of the attached Section 1105.11 notice and a copy of the Environmental and Historic Report on June 27, 2013 by U.S. Mail, postage pre-paid, first class, upon the following:

Earle G. Shettleworth, Jr., Director
Maine Historic Preservation Commission
55 Capitol Street, 65 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333-0065

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'K M Collins', is written over a horizontal line.

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RE: Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad;
Planned Notice of Exemption abandonment by City of Belfast
STB Docket No.: AB-1109X

Dear Mr. Shettleworth:

On June 25, 2013, the City of Belfast, Maine filed with the Surface Transportation Board a Notice of Exemption seeking authority to "railbank" a portion of the City-owned Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad which runs from downtown Belfast (MP 0.3) to the intersection of the Oak Hill and Kaler Roads, also in Belfast (approximate MP 2.5), and to convert that portion of line to interim use as a recreational trail.

Attached is an Environmental and Historic Report describing the proposed action and any expected environmental and historic effects, as well as a map of the affected area. We are providing this report so that you may review the information that will form the basis for the STB's independent environmental analysis of this proceeding. If any of the information is misleading or incorrect, if you believe that pertinent information is missing, or if you have any questions about the Board's environmental review process, please contact the Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA), Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW, Washington DC 20423, telephone 202-245-0296 and refer to the above Docket Number.

Because the applicable statutes and regulations impose strict deadlines for processing this action, your written comments to SEA (with a copy to our representative) would be appreciated as soon as possible. Your comments will be considered by the Board in evaluating the environmental and/or historic preservation impacts of the contemplated action. If there are any questions concerning this proposal, please contact our representative directly. Our representative in this matter is Kristin Collins, who may be contacted by telephone at 207-338-2702 or by mail at Kelly & Collins, LLC, 96 High Street, Belfast, Maine 04915.

Thank you for your consideration.

KELLY & COLLINS, LLC

By: 
Kristin M. Collins

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