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Diane Wood
Surface Transportation Board
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Washington, DC 20423

Re: Camp Hall Rail Line Public Information Open House to be held July 11

As announced in early 2016, Palmetto Railways is requesting regulatory approval to build and operate an industrial rail line between Santee Cooper's Cross Generating Station and the Camp Hall Commerce Park in Berkeley County, South Carolina. The proposed rail line will service the new Volvo Cars manufacturing facility, as well as future proposed development within the Camp Hall Commerce Park.

Palmetto Railways has identified a preferred alignment for the Camp Hall Rail project and will be going through an application process with the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and Surface Transportation Board (STB). USACE and STB will oversee the environmental review process to permit the route for construction while also ensuring that a wide range of stakeholders are involved in the process. The rail alignment alternatives that have been considered, including the preferred alignment, are presented on the enclosed map. We are beginning the process of contacting individual property owners and tenants who may be impacted by the preferred alignment.

To present this information to the public and directly affected landowners, **Palmetto Railways will hold a public information open house on Tuesday, July 11, 2017, from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Cross High School gym, 1293 Old Highway 6, Cross, SC 29436.** You can also view the information online at **www.CampHallRail.com**.

To comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), USACE and STB will take into account the environmental impacts and oversee the environmental review process while also ensuring that a wide range of stakeholders are involved in the process.

Throughout the environmental review process, Palmetto Railways will engage in a process that encourages communication and cooperation between those who are involved in project-related decision making, including government officials, private businesses, and the public.

We encourage all individuals interested in the project to visit our project website at **www.CampHallRail.com** to view the map of rail alignment alternatives that have been considered, including the preferred alignment, or to leave a comment for the project team.

Very best regards,



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President & Chief Executive Officer

Enclosure: Rail Alignment Alternatives Map

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Initial Study



Camp Hall Commerce Park



Santee Cooper Cross Generating Station



CSX Railroad



Diversion Canal



County Boundary

Cross Option 1

Cross Option 2

Cross Option 3 (Preferred Alternative)

Cross Option 4



0 2 Miles

260

CLARENDON COUNTY

WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY

CSX Railroad

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Pineville

Lake Marion

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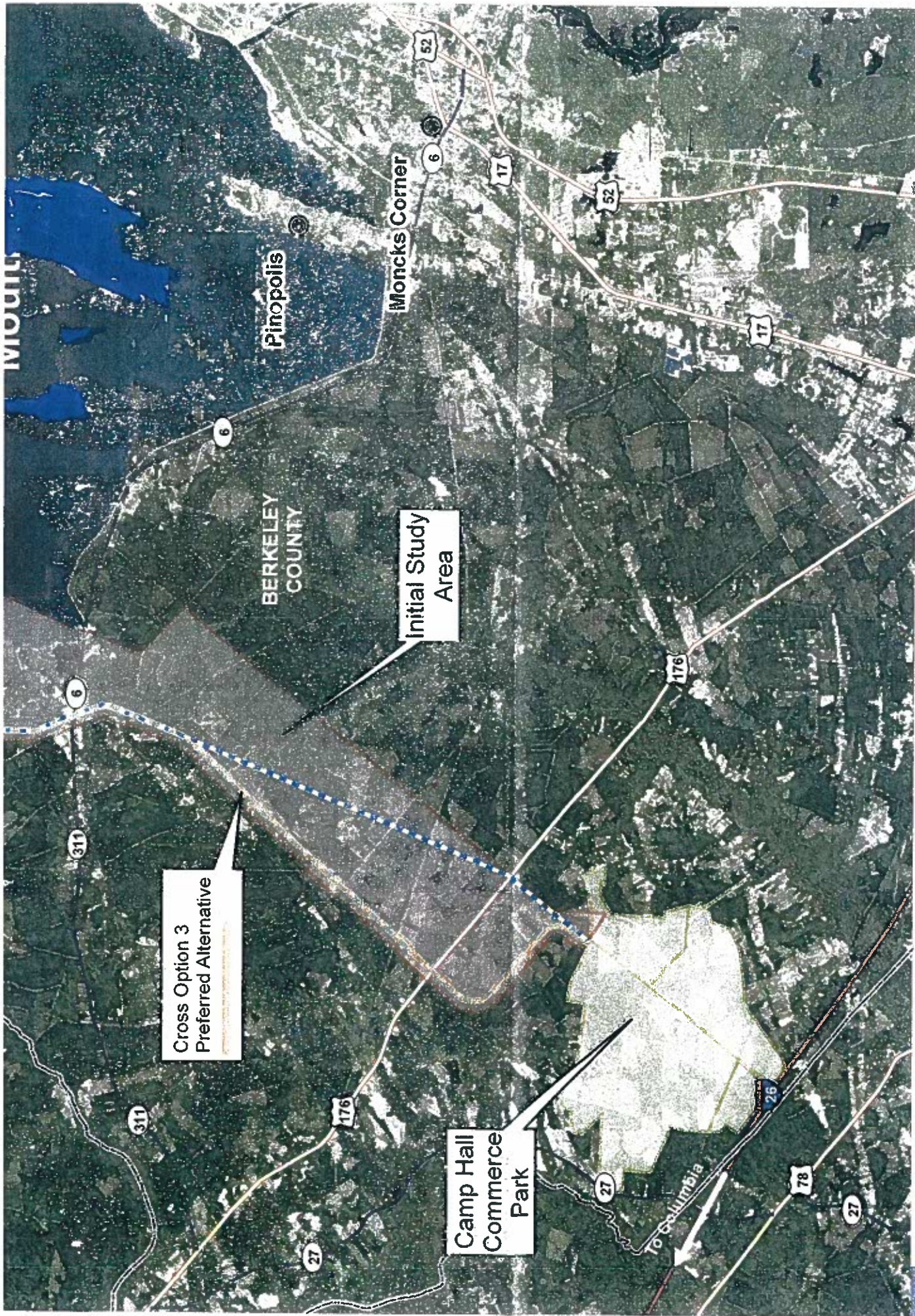
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Cross

Cross Generating Plant Site

ORANGEBURG COUNTY

Lake Marion



**CAMP HALL RAIL
LEVEL 3 ANALYSIS
FIGURE 1**

CAMP HALL RAIL PROJECT

