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Diana Wood
Section of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20024

Re: Docket No. AB 303 (Sub No. 35X) – Wisconsin Central Ltd.
Notice of Exemption for Abandonment in Outagamie County, Wisconsin
Dear Ms. Wood:

In its decision in the above captioned matter dated January 12, 2010, the Board requested that Wisconsin Central Ltd. ("WCL") consult with the Army Corps of Engineers regarding: (1) potential impacts to waters of the United States, including wetlands, in accordance with section 404 of the Clean Water Act; and (2) impacts to navigable waterways in accordance with section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act. The decision also required WCL to comply with reasonable requirements of the Corp and report the results of the consultation in writing to SEA.

I consulted with Nick Domer of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. I explained that WCL will not undertake any salvage or other construction activity in or near any waters of the United States or any navigable waterways. Mr. Domer indicated that, based on the activity proposed by WCL, WCL is not required to seek a permit under section 404 of the Clean Water Act or section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act.

The Board's decision required WCL to consult with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources regarding potential impacts on: (1) water quality; (2) wetlands; (3) 100-year floodplain; (4) endangered or threatened species and critical habitats; (5) wildlife sanctuaries or refuges; (6) national or state parks; (7) soil and water conservation; (8) land use; and (9) environmental cleanup/waste management and report the results of the consultation in writing to SEA.

I consulted with James Doperalski and Lori Steckervetz of the Wisconsin DNR. I explained the nature and extent of the salvage and other construction activity that WCL plans to undertake. Mr. Doperalski indicated that, based on the activity proposed by WCL, there will be no impacts on water quality, wetlands, 100-year floodplains, wildlife sanctuaries or refuges,

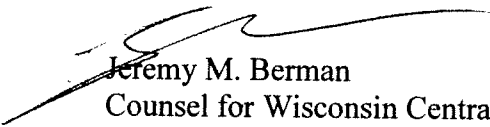
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national or state parks, soil and water conservation, land use or environmental cleanup/waste management. Ms. Steckervetz indicated that there will be no impacts on endangered or threatened species and critical habitats.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,



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