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**RE:** Docket No. AB-565 (Sub-No. 3X), *New York Central Lines, LLC—Abandonment Exemption—Berkshire County, MA* and Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 595X), *CSX Transportation, Inc. Discontinuance of Service in Berkshire County, Massachusetts*

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Dear Secretary Williams:

In light of the decision served on February 22, 2002, in the above-entitled proceeding, New York Central Lines, LLC and CSX Transportation, Inc. (jointly "CSXT") respectfully withdraw the letter filed on February 21, 2002 requesting rejection of the Offer of Financial Assistance (the "OFA") dated February 19, 2002 by Housatonic Railroad Company, Inc.

Enclosed are the original and 10 copies of this letter. Please time and date stamp the additional copy of this letter and return it with our messenger. Thank you for your assistance.

If you have any questions, call or email me.

Sincerely yours,

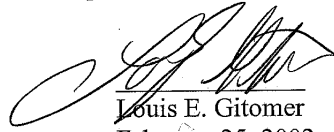
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on this date this letter has been served by hand and overnight delivery on counsel for Housatonic Railroad Company, Inc.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. E. Gitomer", is written over a horizontal line.

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