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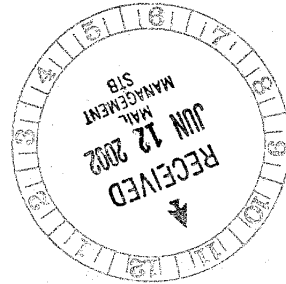


Metropolitan Transportation Authority

State of New York

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Ms. Ernestine Hedgepath
Mr. Vernon A. Williams
Surface Transportation Board
Office of Proceedings
1925 K Street, NW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

**Re: Surface Transportation Board Docket No. AB-837: The Long Island Rail Road
Company Request for Discontinuance In Garden City, Long Island, New York**

Dear Ms. Hedgepath and Mr. Williams:

This is in response to your questions with regard to the above-mentioned petition:

1. Does the area of proposed discontinuance traverse any US postal zip codes and does it include any postal stations? The area of proposed discontinuance is located within US Postal Zip Code 11530, and there are no postal stations located within this area.
2. Does the line contains any federally granted rights of way? We are unaware of any federally granted rights of way in this area.

If you have any further questions with regard to this subject, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Roberta Bender
Deputy General Counsel

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