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The Honorable Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
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RE: STB DOCKET NO. AB-563 (Sub-No. 1X), Kansas Eastern Railroad, Inc.--
Abandonment Exemption-- In Butler and Greenwood Counties, KS

Dear Secretary Williams:

On January 15, 2002, the Surface Transportation Board approved Butler County's request for the issuance of a NITU to allow Kansas Eastern Railroad, Inc. (KER) to negotiate with Butler County for interim trail use/ rail banking for the right of way located between milepost 471.0 and milepost 476.4 and between milepost 476.65 and milepost 483.0 a distance of 11.75 miles for which the ATA had terminated trail use.

Butler County hereby notifies the Board that on July 11, 2002, KER and Butler County consummated a trail use/rail banking agreement for those same portions of the right-of-way as listed above.

If you have any questions or require additional information concerning this matter, please contact me.

By my signature below, I certify service upon KER c/o Karl Morell, Ball Janik LLP, 1455 F. St, N.W., suite 225 Washington, DC 20005, by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, first class, this 16th day of July 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Doll, Chairman
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