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Hon. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
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RE: LB Railco, Inc.- Lease and Operation Exemption –
Providence and Worcester Railway Company

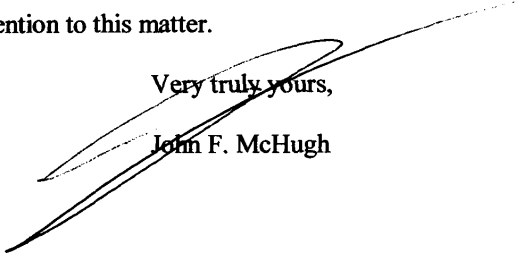
Honorable Sir:

I am the attorney for LB Railco, Inc. On December 17 and on December 23, 2002 motions were filed respectively by the National Solid Waste Management Association and the Town of Millbury, challenging variously any grant of operating authority in this captioned matter with or without an environmental review. As these motions were filed in the midst of the holiday season and are duplicative, I request that time in which LB Railco, Inc. may file a reply be extended as to both motions to January 17, 2003.

As the Board has imposed a stay on this exemption, this short adjournment can not prejudice any party but LB Railco, Inc.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,


John F. McHugh

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CERTIFICATION

On this 31 st day of December 2002 I served a copy of this application for
an extension of time on:

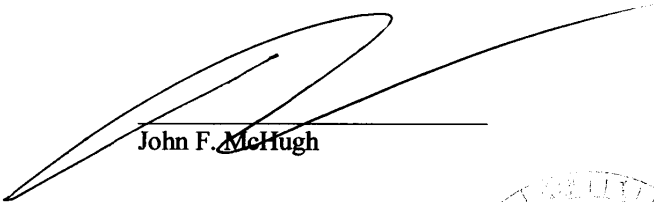
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