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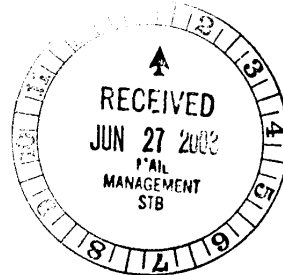
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Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
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RE: Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 618), *CSX Transportation, Inc.—Discontinuance Exemption—at Memphis, in Shelby County, Tennessee*

Dear Secretary Williams:

Pursuant to the decision served in the above-entitled proceeding on May 15, 2003 and 49 CFR 1159.29(e)(2), CSX Transportation, Inc. notifies the Surface Transportation Board that it has discontinued service over the 1.1-mile rail line portion of its Midwest Region, Nashville Division, Memphis Terminal between milepost ONI 224.0, at Memphis, TN and milepost ONI 222.9 east of Memphis, TN, all in Shelby County, TN (the "Line").

CSXT is discontinuing service over the Line, at this time. CSXT remains receptive to negotiating a long-term transportation arrangement with Bolen-Brunson-Bell Lumber Company, Inc., or anyone else that would come forward, that would fully cover the costs incurred by CSXT and guarantee a sufficient return to CSXT if it repaired the bridge and resumed operations over the line.

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

If you have any questions, call or email me.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Louis E. Gitomer".

Louis E. Gitomer

Enclosures

Cc: Mr. Bell

Mr. McFarland

Tennessee Regulatory Authority