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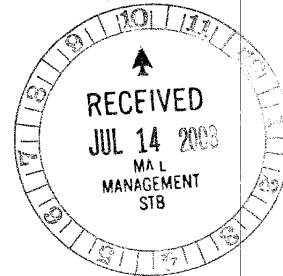
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July 11, 2003



Mr. Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: St. Croix Valley Abandonment in Pine County, Minnesota, AB-850X

Dear Secretary Williams:

In reply to The Pine County Railroad Authority's letter to you dated June 24, 2003 in the above-referenced docket, BNSF does not object to issuance of a Notice of Interim Trails Use.

Sincerely,

Sarah Whitley Bailiff
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Request

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cc: Richard Batie
Thomas McFarland
John Stieben (Pine County Railroad Authority)

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