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Re: Docket No. AB-308 (Sub-No. 3X), *Central Michigan Railway Company -- Abandonment Exemption -- in Saginaw County, MI*

Dear Mr. Williams:

Replies to the Motion for Protective Order filed by Central Michigan Railway Company (CMR) on August 20, 2003 are required to be filed on or before September 9, 2003 (*see* 49 C.F.R. § 1104.13(a)).

In behalf of Plastatech Engineering, Inc. (Plastatech), this is to respectfully request an extension of seven days, to September 16, 2003, to file such a reply. The short extension is necessitated by the summer vacation season and by the extended Labor Day weekend.

I have been authorized by William A. Mullins, Esq., counsel for CMR, to state that CMR does not object to the requested extension.

Ten copies accompany the original of this request. All parties are being served. Kindly acknowledge receipt by date stamping the enclosed duplicate copy of this letter and return in the self-addressed stamped envelope.

Very truly yours,

Tom McFarland

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