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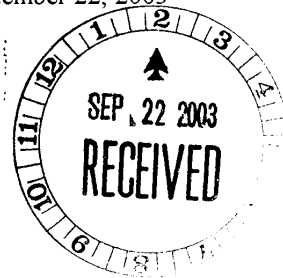
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Hon. Vernon A. Williams
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Surface Transportation Board
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Dear Secretary Williams:

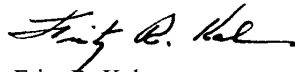
This refers to STB Docket No. 573X, Trinidad Railway, Inc.-Abandonment Exemption-In Las Animas County, CO, and to the Decision and Notice of Interim Trail Use or Abandonment of the Board, served September 15, 2003.

On behalf of the proposed trails operator, American Trails Association, Inc. ("ATA"), I wish to advise that an agreement has been reached with the railroad, Kern Valley Railroad Company, and that ATA has taken possession of the right-of-way between MP 2.0 at Jensen and MP 15.11 in Segundo, CO, authorized for abandonment and has assumed responsibility for its maintenance.

Ten copies of this letter are enclosed to permit your circulation of it. An additional copy of the letter is enclosed for you to stamp to acknowledge your receipt of it and to return to me via the messenger.

If you have any question concerning the foregoing which you believe I may be able to answer or if I otherwise can be of assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,


Fritz R. Kahn