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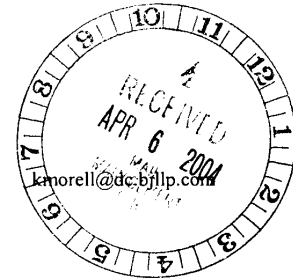
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The Honorable Vernon Williams
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Re: STB Docket No. AB-857X Great Western Railway of Colorado,
LLC – Abandonment Exemption -- In Weld County, Colorado

Dear Secretary Williams:

This is in response to the request, dated November 25, 2003, by the Municipalities of Eaton, Colorado, Severance, Colorado and Windsor, Colorado (the "Municipalities"), for issuance of a Notice of Interim Trail Use ("NITU"), under the National Trails System Act, 16 U.S.C. § 1247(d), for the rail line authorized for abandonment in this proceeding located between MP 30.8, near Windsor, Colorado, and MP 42.5, near Eaton, Colorado, a distance of approximately 11.7 miles.

Great Western Railway of Colorado, LLC ("GWRC") hereby notifies the Board that GWRC has not consummated the abandonment of the line and is willing to negotiate for trail use with the Municipalities.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call me.

Sincerely,

Karl Morell