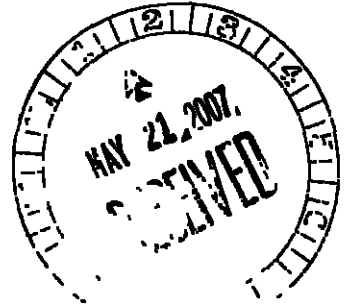


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***RE: STB Docket No. AB-1012, The Shops at Kingsbury
Square, LLC-Adverse Abandonment-Chicago Terminal
Railroad in Chicago, IL***

Dear Mr. Williams:

I am writing on behalf of the Chicago Terminal Railroad ("CTR") in connection with the above-captioned adverse abandonment proceeding.

The parties are presently negotiating a resolution to this matter and are optimistic as to the possibility of reaching a settlement acceptable to all. Accordingly, CTR requests a 20 day extension to the Board's May 22, 2007, deadline for filing a reply to the petition for waiver filed in this proceeding. Applicant-petitioner's counsel Tom McFarland advises that he has no objection to this extension request.

Please date stamp and return one copy of this letter.

Sincerely yours,

John D. Heffner

cc: Thomas F. McFarland, Esq.
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