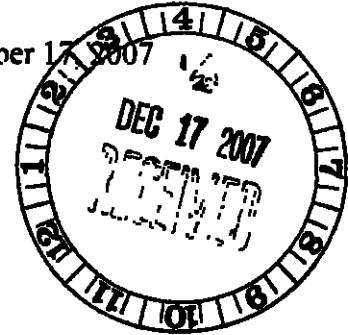


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Hon Vernon A Williams
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Dear Secretary Williams

Enclosed for filing in STB Docket No AB-1000 (Sub-No 1X). Georgia Southwestern Railroad, Inc --Abandonment and Discontinuance Exemption--In Harris and Meriwether Counties, GA, are the original and ten copies of the Petition to Toll Time for Filing OFA of Kern Valley Railroad Company

Extra copies of this letter and of the Petition are enclosed for you to stamp to acknowledge your receipt of them and to return to me via the messenger.

Sincerely yours,


Fritz R. Kahn

enc.

cc Karl Morell, Esq
Mr Harvey D Keepler
John M Taylor, Esq

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STB Docket No. AB-1000 (Sub-No 1X)

**GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN RAILROAD, INC
--ABANDONMENT AND DISCONTINUANCE EXEMPTION--
IN HARRIS AND MERIWETHER COUNTIES, GA**

PETITION TO TOLL TIME FOR FILING OFA

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PETITION TO TOLL TIME FOR FILING OFA

Petitioner, Kern Valley Railroad Company of Jansen, Colorado, pursuant to 49 C F R. 1152 27(c)(1)(C), requests that the 10-day period for submitting its offer of financial assistance be tolled until 10 days after it has received the data from Georgia Southwestern Railroad, Inc.("GSWR"), previously requested of the railroad.

A copy of the Petitioner's Notice of Intent to File Offer of Financial Assistance, which included the request for the section-1152 27(a) data, is attached.

While GSWR afforded the Petitioner access to inspect the railroad line proposed to be abandoned, GSWR did not provide Petitioner with the lengths, weight, date and condition of the relay, reroll and scrap rails and of the other track materials, as Petitioner had requested. GSWR said it had an offer from Tie Yard of Omaha for the track materials GSWR, however, did not provide Petitioner with a copy of the agreement to purchase the track materials, nor did GSWR advise the Petitioner how much Tie Yard of Omaha was prepared to pay for the track materials.

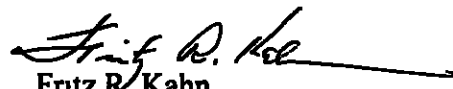
GSWR moreover failed to identify which parcels of the 305 5 acres of land said to comprise the right-of-way of the railroad line are owned in fee and which are mere easement grants, as Petitioner had requested. GSWR advised the Petitioner that there was a purchaser prepared to buy the right-of-way to be used for trail use. The only Petition for Interim Trail Use, however, was filed September 27, 2007, on behalf of Harris County. No request for a trails condition has been filed on behalf of anyone in Meriwether County, and no agreements disclosing the purchase price for the right-of-way have been furnished by GGSWR.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner, Kern Valley Railroad Company, requests that the time for filing its offer of financial assistance be tolled until 10 days after it has received the section-1152 27(a) data from the railroad.

Respectfully submitted,

KERN VALLEY RAILROAD COMPANY

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I this day have served the foregoing Petition to Toll Time for Filing OFA on Georgia Southwestern Railroad, Inc., Georgia Department of Transportation and Harris County by facsimile transmitting and mailing copies to their representatives, Karl Morell, Esq , Mr Harvey D. Keepler, and John M. Taylor, Esq

Dated at Washington, DC. this 17th day of December 2007.


Fritz R. Kahn

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**GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN RAILROAD, INC
--ABANDONMENT AND DISCONTINUANCE OF TRACKAGE RIGHTS
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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE
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--ABANDONMENT AND DISCONTINUANCE OF TRACKAGE RIGHTS
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NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE
OFFER OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Kern Valley Railroad Company of Jansen, Colorado, pursuant to 49 U S C 10904(c) and 49 C F R 1152 27(b)(2)(i), hereby formally expresses its intent to file an offer of financial assistance by purchasing the line of railroad proposed to be abandoned, extending between Milepost R-12 0 at Florida Rock and Milepost R-55 0 at Allie, a distance of 43 miles in Harris and Merriwether Counties, Georgia

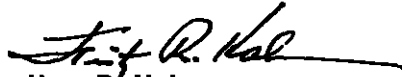
By copy of this Notice, Kern Valley Railroad Company, pursuant to 49 C F R 1152 27(a), asks the Georgia Southwestern Railroad, Inc to provide it with copies of the most recent report on the physical condition of the line, the carrier's estimate of the net liquidation of the line, with supporting data, including but not limited to identification of the parcels of the 305 5 acres of land said to comprise the right-of-way of the railroad line which are owned in fee and those which are easement grants, the lengths, weight, date and condition of the relay, reroll and scrap rails and of the other track materials, said to total 8,567 tons, the number of reusable, landscaping and scrap ties, said to total 135,500, and any other information deemed relevant to enable Kern Valley Railroad Company to

calculate the net liquidation value of the line, and the minimum price which Georgia
Southwestern Railroad, Inc seeks for the properties

Respectfully submitted,

KERN VALLEY RAILROAD COMPANY

By its attorney,

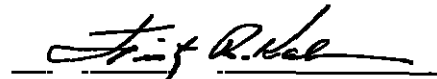

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I this day served a copy of the foregoing Notice upon Georgia
Southwestern Railroad, Inc , State of Georgia Department of Transportation and Harris
County by facsimile transmitting and mailing copies to their representatives, Karl
Morell, Esq , Mr Harvey D Keepler and John M Taylor, Esq , respectively

Dated at Washington, DC, this 22d day of October 2007


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