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Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street SW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

RE: STB Docket No. AB-1014, Denver & Rio Grande Railway Historical
Foundation - Adverse Abandonment - Mineral County, CO

Dear Secretary Williams:

I would like to offer my comments in support of the application for adverse
abandonment filed by the City of Creede.

I have been a permanent resident of Creede since April 2006 and own
property and a business on Main St. My address is 421 Capitol Ave, PO Box 345,
Creede, CO 81130.

I support the City's applications for several reasons. There has been no
railroad operating in Creede since 1971. I believe that the publicly held land under
the railroad should be put to uses that benefit the town and its citizens. The land
runs through the middle of our small town. Since there is no railroad operating in
our town, it is time to return the control of the land to the residents and property
owners with the city limits. This move will truly benefit the residents.

A certificate of service is attached to my comments.

Sincerely,

Michael S. Lewis

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have caused a true and correct copy of my comments in STB Docket No. AB-1014 to be served upon the following persons by first class mail this 18th Day of January, 2008

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