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January 29, 2008

Vernon A. William, 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- In Mineral County CO

Dear Secretary Williams,

I lived and worked in Creede for most of my adult life, 24 years. My husband Dale is a native of Creede and Creede is home for our two daughters, Abbey and Emily 14 and 12 respectively. Dale and I are in support of the adverse abandonment filed by the City of Creede. We reside in Mineral County at 32728 Hwy 149, PO Box 250, Creede, CO 81130 and own our own business and commercial building on Creede's historic main street.

As a resident since 1984 I have witnessed Creede grow from a small run down mining town into a thriving destination for tourists from all areas of the country and nation. The land under the railroad is a large swath running right through the center of town. Since there is no longer a need for freight service to Creede, I believe the public lands under the right of way should be used to enhance the quality of life for the citizens and visitors to Creede.

I thank you for your careful consideration of my comments. I have mailed copies to the parties involved as stated on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,



Anne M Pizel  
Dale E Pizel

## **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 31 Day of January, 2008

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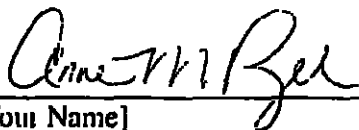
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