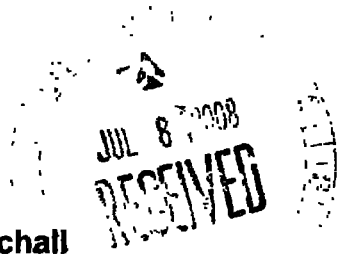



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Re: STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 250X), Norfolk Southern Railway
Company – Abandonment Exemption – in Urbana, Champaign
County, Illinois

NOTICE OF CONSUMMATION

Dear Ms. Quinlan:

This refers to the STB's decision authorizing abandonment of the line of railroad between milepost UM 28.50 and milepost UM 28.68, a distance of 0.18-mile, in Champaign County, Illinois, by Norfolk Southern Railway Company.

The interim trail use negotiation period expired on June 13, 2008, and despite the many extensions requested and granted in the past, Norfolk Southern was not able to reach an agreement with the Urbana Park District, the City of Urbana and the Champaign County Design and Conservation Foundation.

The Board imposed one environmental condition recommended by the SEA: that prior to conducting salvage activities, NSR consult with U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service Rock Island Field Office regarding impacts to Federally listed threatened and endangered species that may occur in the vicinity of the line and report the results of the consultation to SEA.

Due to the small amount of track present on this line segment, Norfolk Southern will not conduct any salvage activities on this line of railroad. Therefore, abandonment of the line is consummated with the filing of this letter with the Board.

This notice has been sent to the Illinois Commerce Commission pursuant to 49 C.F.R. parts 1152.29(e)(2).

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. R. Paschall", written in a cursive style.

James R. Paschall

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cc: Illinois Commerce Commission
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