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Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

**RE: Shannon Transport, Inc.
Abandonment Exemption in Clarion County
STB Docket No. AB1004 (X)**

Dear Acting Secretary:

This is a request from the Allegheny Valley Land Trust for an additional extension of 180 days for the purpose of completing ongoing negotiations with Pittsburgh & Shawmut Railroad, LLC for the acquisition of the line for interim trail use/ rail banking. We have been in continuous negotiations. Draft agreements have been exchanged between the parties with positive progress made with each exchange. More time is needed to consummate the agreement with both parties willing to continue negotiations until an agreement is secured.

The property, known as the Shannon Transport, Inc. line connects the Pittsburgh & Shawmut Railroad, LLC line at milepost 6.0 and extends westward to the end of track milepost 4.0, and the connecting former Sligo Running Track which runs from milepost 0.0 near Lawsonham, Clarion County, Pennsylvania northward to milepost 10.5 at Sligo. Clarion County, Pennsylvania

The right-of-way is part of a line of railroad proposed for Abandonment by Shannon Transport, LLC in STB Docket No. AB1004 (Sub-No. X).

A Service Date of July 27, 2007 by the Surface Transportation Board stated a 180 day period to January 24, 2008 for an agreement for interim trail/railbanking. An extension was granted to July 22, 2008. Both parties are in an agreement to request a second extension while the draft agreement is being finalized.

By my signature below, I certify service upon Shannon Transport, Inc representative Eric M. Hocky, Esquire.

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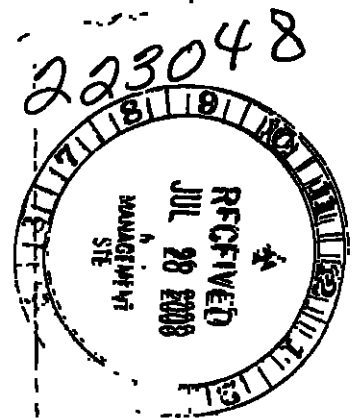
by U.S. Mail, postage pre-paid, first class, this 21st day of July, 2008 .

This request is being faxed to STB. A follow up paper copy with the filing fee will be mailed to STB.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald J. Steffey

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on behalf of Allegheny Valley Land Trust



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