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E-File

The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan  
Acting Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street S W  
Washington, DC 20423-001

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Re STB Docket No. AB-1000 (Sub-No. 1X), Georgia Southwestern Railroad, Inc. -- Abandonment Exemption -- In Harris and Meriwether Counties, Georgia

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

This is in response to the request dated August 12, 2008, by Harris County (the "County"), for an 180-day extension of the NITU negotiating period for the portion of the line located between milepost R-12.0, at Florida Rock, and milepost R-33.5, at the Harris County-Meriwether County line ("Harris County Line")

Georgia Southwestern Railroad, Inc. ("GSR"), hereby notifies the Surface Transportation Board that GSR is agreeable to the requested extension by the County and that GSR has not consummated the abandonment of the Harris County Line.

If you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely,



Karl Morell

cc. John M. Taylor