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The Honorable Kent Conrad
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Re: Case No. RR-08-636
Soo Line Railroad Company
dba Canadian Pacific Railway Company
Bottineau, Rolette, and Towner Counties – 61 miles
Rail Abandonment

Dear Senator Conrad,

Soo Line Railroad Company, dba Canadian Pacific Railway Company, has notified the Public Service Commission that it will soon seek federal approval to abandon approximately 61 miles of track in Bottineau, Rolette, and Towner Counties between milepost 535 in Kramer to milepost 474.5 in Bisbee, ND.

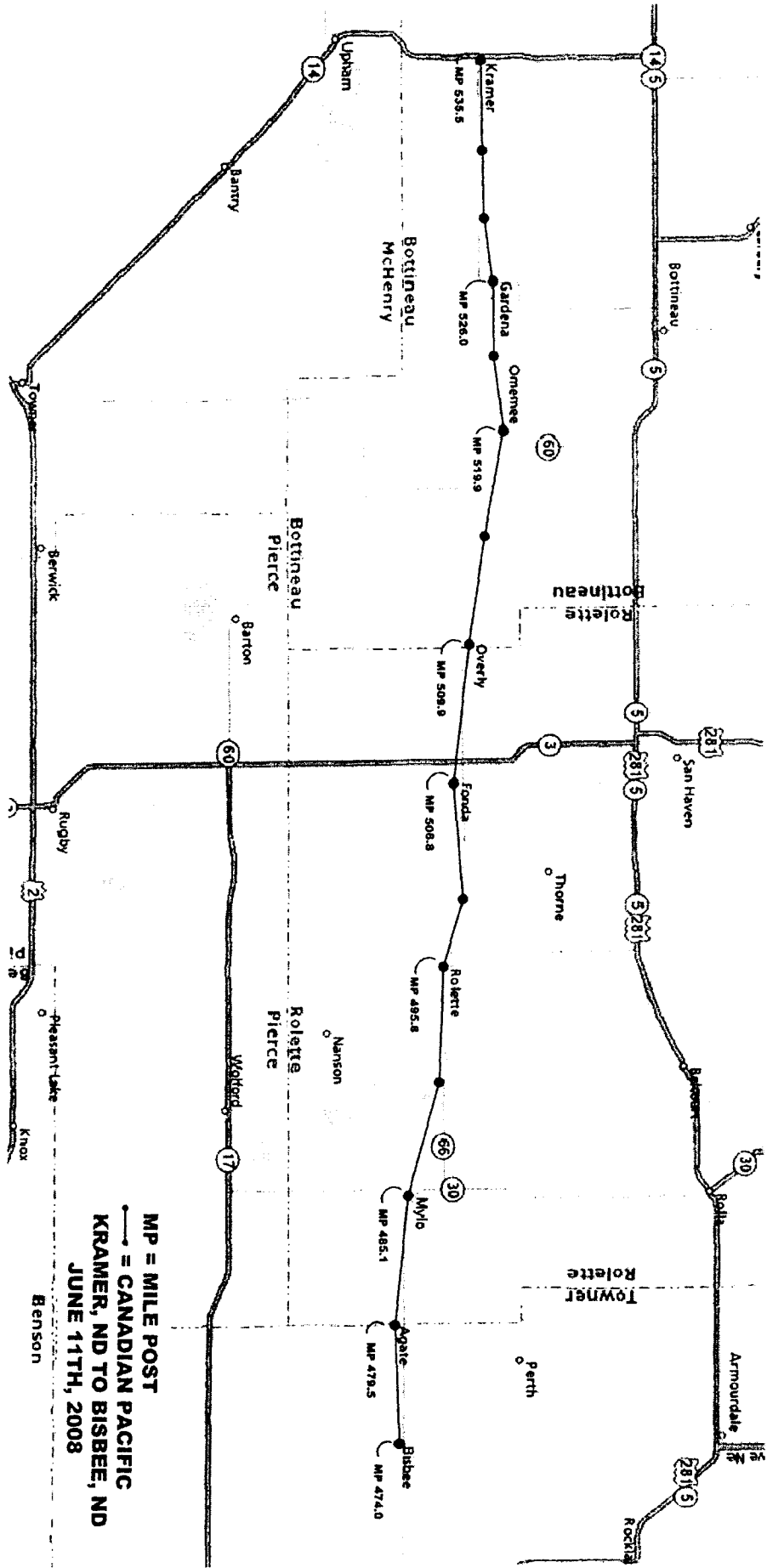
This abandonment will be processed under an exemption provision before the federal Surface Transportation Board. The procedure permits an expedited abandonment time frame if a line has not been used in at least two years.

If this application is approved, the Canadian Pacific Railway Company is expected to dismantle the line within the next two years. It is expected that at some time after the line is dismantled, the railroad will offer to sell, lease, exchange, or otherwise dispose of the land, under the requirements of N.D.C.C. § 49-09-04.2, to present owners or lessees of fixed assets located on the property, or to adjacent landowners, or for the public recreational use.

If you have any questions about the abandonment application or how the Surface Transportation Board processes these cases, please contact Annette Bendish at 701-328-2421. Ms. Bendish is the Commission's legal counsel and would be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Tony Clark
Commissioner



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