

BEFORE THE
INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

APPLICATION OF BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD
FOR CERTIFICATE AUTHORIZING IT TO ABANDON
A PORTION OF ITS LINE OF RAILROAD IN STRAF-
FORD AND ROCKINGHAM COUNTIES, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Respectfully represents the Applicant, Boston and Maine Railroad, as follows:

- a. Its full corporate name is BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD.
- b. It is a common carrier by railroad subject to the Interstate Commerce Act.
- c. It herewith seeks authority to abandon the portion of its line extending from the southerly approach of the so-called Dover Point Bridge in the Town of Newington, Rockingham County, New Hampshire, along said bridge to a point approximately 7300 feet beyond the northerly approach of said bridge in the City of Dover, Strafford County, for a total distance of approximately 1.75 miles.
- d. Abandonment of this line is sought.
- e. This line is not in receivership.
- f. The Dover Point Bridge across Great Bay is about in the middle of Applicant's branch line between Dover and Portsmouth, New Hampshire, said branch being approximately 11 miles in length. The bridge, which is about 1700 feet in length, is a wooden structure, part of which is a highway toll bridge, a parallel part carrying the railroad. The State of New Hampshire is constructing a highway bridge across Great Bay close by the Dover Point Bridge, and the

Applicant has sold the highway portion of the latter bridge to the State, it being the plan of the State to discontinue that portion when the new bridge has been opened to traffic. This application covers only the mileage of the railroad on the bridge and for a distance of 7300 feet beyond the northerly approach. Passenger service on the line between Dover and Portsmouth was discontinued on August 14, 1933, and the Applicant plans to continue freight service via Dover or Portsmouth to all points on the branch where freight is now being received or delivered. Freight will be moved between Dover and Portsmouth over other lines of the Applicant.

g. Correspondence in relation to this application may be addressed to W. A. Cole, General Attorney, 150 Causeway Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

h. Applicant is organized under the laws of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and New York, and is authorized to do business in Vermont.

i. The making and filing of this application were authorized by a vote of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of Boston and Maine Railroad, passed on April 17, 1934, a certified copy of which is attached hereto.

j. Applicant does not desire a hearing on this application.

BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD

By Edward S. French
President

VERIFICATION

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Suffolk, ss.

Edward S. French makes oath and says that he is President of the Boston and Maine Railroad, Applicant herein; that he has been authorized by proper corporate action on the part of said Applicant to verify and file with the Interstate Commerce Commission the foregoing application; that he has carefully examined all the statements therein and that all such statements are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Edward S. French

Subscribed and sworn to
before me, a Notary Public
in and for the Commonwealth
and County above named
this 26th day of April, 1934.

Arthur B. Nichols
Notary Public

My commission expires March 22, 1940.

(Notarial seal)

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD, duly notified and held at Boston, Massachusetts, on April 17, 1934, a quorum being present, the following action was taken:

"VOTED: that the President, Edward S. French, be and he hereby is authorized on behalf of this corporation to make application to the Interstate Commerce Commission for authority to abandon the portion of its line of railroad extending from and including the southerly approach to its so-called Dover Point Bridge in the Town of Newington in Rockingham County, New Hampshire, along said bridge to a point on its line approximately 7300 feet beyond the northerly approach of said bridge in the City of Dover in Strafford County, New Hampshire, for a total distance of approximately 1.75 miles, and that he be further authorized to sign, verify and file on behalf of this corporation an appropriate application to the Interstate Commerce Commission and a return to any Questionnaire submitted by said Commission, and generally to perform all acts necessary, convenient or desirable toward accomplishing the foregoing."

Attest:

(Signed) Arthur B. Nichols (Corporate
Clerk seal)