

BEFORE THE  
INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

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APPLICATION OF BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD  
FOR CERTIFICATE AUTHORIZING IT TO ABANDON  
A PORTION OF ITS CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS  
BRANCH IN WORCESTER COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS.

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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
  1. To abandon that portion of its so-called Central Massachusetts Branch which extends for about 25 miles from its so-called Oakdale station in the town of West Boylston to its so-called Wheelwright station in the town of Hardwick, all in the County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts;
  2. To abandon its operations under trackage rights over that portion of the lines of the Boston & Albany Railroad (New York Central Railroad, lessee) which extends for about 6 miles from a point west of so-called Barre station in the town of Barre to so-called Creamery Road in the town of Hardwick, all in the County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

d. Abandonment of the line first mentioned is sought; with respect to the other line abandonment of operation under trackage rights is sought.

e. Service by the applicant on these lines is no longer necessary. Applicant has operated no passenger service on either line for more than six years. Freight service will be continued by the Boston & Albany Railroad on the line where applicant seeks to abandon its operations under trackage rights; the other line has recently been damaged by a flood and the traffic offered does not warrant its restoration or continuation of freight service there.

f. Correspondence in regard to this application may be addressed to Allan P. Mackinnon, General Counsel, 150 Causeway Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

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

h. The making and filing of this application were authorized by a vote of the Executive Committee of its Board of Directors passed November 1, 1938, a certified copy of which is attached hereto.

i. Attached hereto is a copy of a situation map showing the lines in question and nearby rail lines. As indicated thereon, the lines shown are operated as parts of the systems of the Boston and Maine Railroad, Boston & Albany Railroad

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(New York Central Railroad, lessee), or Central Vermont Railway.

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 28th day of January, 1939.

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 called, notified and held on November 1, 1938, a quorum being present, the following action was taken:

VOTED: that the President, Edward S. French, be and hereby is authorized to make application to the Interstate Commerce Commission for authority from said Commission

1. To abandon that portion of this corporation's line which extends for about 25 miles from its so-called Oakdale station in the town of West Boylston to its so-called Wheelwright station in the town of Hardwick, all in the County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts;

2. To abandon this corporation's operations under trackage rights over that portion of the lines of the Boston & Albany Railroad (New York Central Railroad, lessee) which extends for about 6 miles from a point west of so-called Barre station in the town of Barre to so-called Creamery Road in the town of Hardwick, all in the County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts;

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:

Arthur B. Nichols  
Clerk (Corporate seal)



**BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD  
CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS BRANCH ABANDONMENT**

Scale: 1 Inch = 2 Miles

**EXPLANATION**

- Boston and Maine Railroad
- TO BE ABANDONED
- ++++ New York Central Railroad Co. (BOSTON & ALBANY RR. LESSEE)
- ++++ TRACKAGE RIGHTS B&MRR
- ++++ TRACKAGE RIGHTS B&MRR TO BE ABANDONED
- Central Vermont Railway



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