

BEFORE THE  
INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

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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 to abandon the portion of its line approximately 5.5 miles in length between its Hamilton & Wenham station in the Town of Hamilton and Essex station in the Town of Essex in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- d. Abandonment of the line is sought.
- e. The volume of traffic on the line does not warrant its maintenance and operation. The passenger service consists of only one round-trip per day and the freight traffic can be readily accommodated at nearby stations on other lines. Its abandonment will make the rail and other track materials available for other uses.
- f. Correspondence in regard to this application may be addressed to W. A. Cole, 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 applicant's Board of Directors passed June 30, 1942, a certified copy of which is attached hereto.

i. Attached hereto is a copy of a situation map showing the line in question and nearby rail lines. Except as otherwise indicated, all of said lines are operated as part of the system of the Boston and Maine Railroad.

BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD

By E. S. French  
President.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD, duly notified and held at Boston, Massachusetts on June 30, 1942, a quorum being present, the following action was taken:

"VOTED: that the corporation abandon the portion of its railroad known as the Essex Branch consisting of approximately 5.5 miles of line between its Hamilton & Wenham station in the town of Hamilton and Essex station in the town of Essex, all in Essex County and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and that the President, E. S. French, be and he hereby is authorized on behalf of the corporation to sign, verify and file 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)

VERIFICATION

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Suffolk, ss.

E. 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.

E. S. French

Subscribed and sworn to  
before me, a Notary Public  
in and for the Commonwealth  
and County above named,  
this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1942.

Arthur B. Nichols  
Notary Public

My commission expires March 27, 1947

(Notarial Seal)

