

BEFORE THE
INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

APPLICATION OF BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD
FOR A CERTIFICATE AUTHORIZING IT TO ABANDON
A PORTION OF ITS LINES IN YORK COUNTY, MAINE

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 17.88 miles in length between the east route switch in the town of North Berwick to A R Tower in the city of Biddeford, all in York County, State of Maine (such line being part of the so-called east route).
- d. Abandonment of the line is sought.
- e. Between North Berwick and Biddeford applicant has two lines of railroad, a single track east route and the west route which is double tracked part of the distance. These lines are parallel and not far apart and by double tracking the portion of the west route which is now single track, such route can easily handle all of the traffic moving between the points in question. The proposed abandonment of part of these duplicate facilities will make the rail and other track materials available for other and essential uses and will result in a saving of the cost of maintaining the

line in question.

f. Correspondence in regard to this application may be addressed to R. J. Fletcher, Commerce Counsel, 150 Causeway Street, Boston 14, 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 its Board of Directors passed November 23, 1943, 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 special meeting of the Board of Directors of BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD, duly notified and held on November 23, 1943, a quorum being present, the following action was taken:

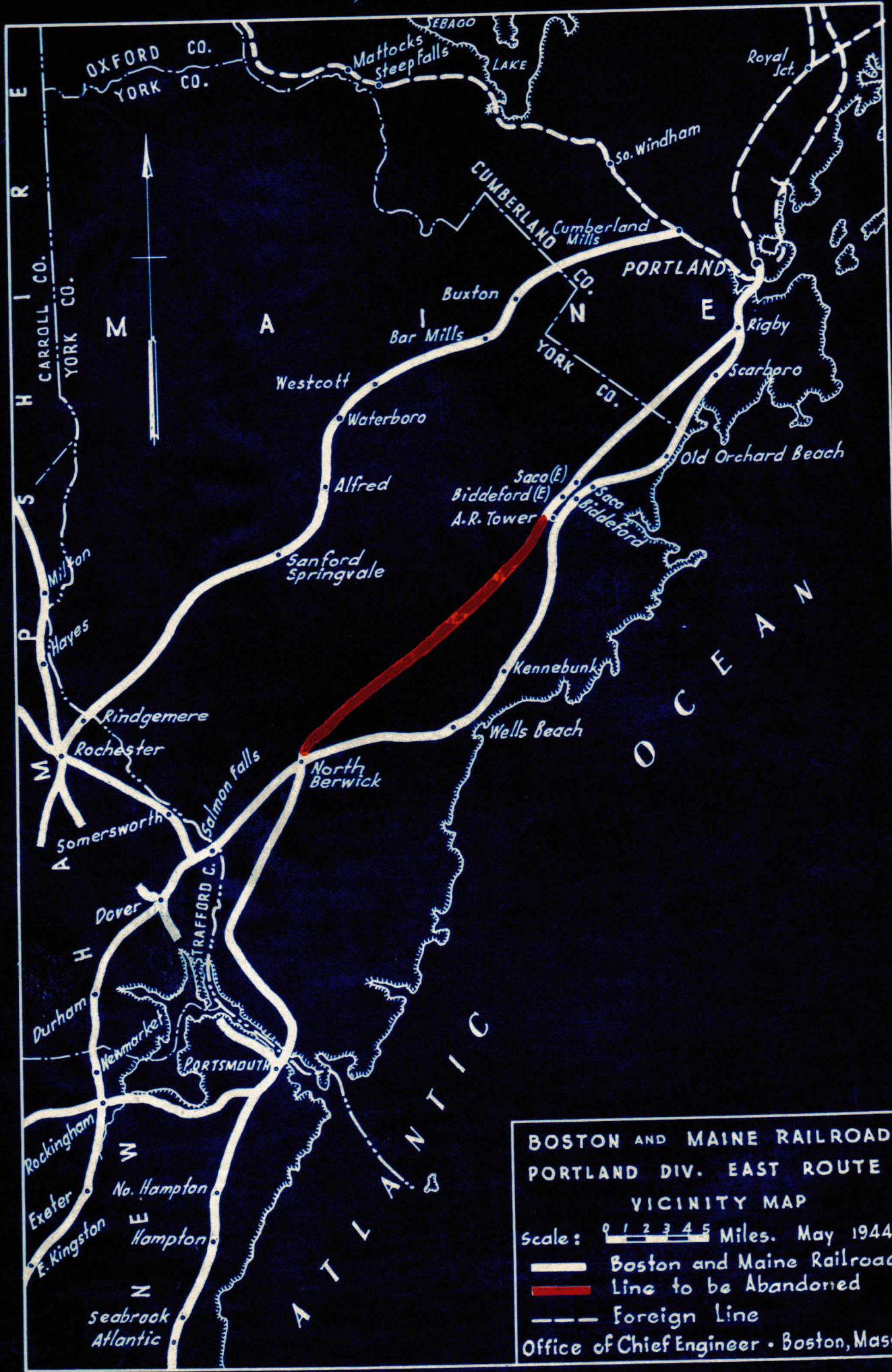
"VOTED: That the corporation abandon the portion of its railroad 17.88 miles in length between the east route switch in the town of North Berwick to A R Tower in the city of Biddeford, all in York County, State of Maine (such line being part of the so-called east route), and that the President, E. S. 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)



**BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD
 PORTLAND DIV. EAST ROUTE
 VICINITY MAP**
 Scale: 0 1 2 3 4 5 Miles. May 1944
 ——— Boston and Maine Railroad
 ——— Line to be Abandoned
 - - - Foreign Line
 Office of Chief Engineer • Boston, Mass.