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Dear Surface Transportation Board, I want to express my deepest concern, and support for the EIS that is currently in the comment stage for the Uinta Basin Railroad under docket No. FD36284. I am a person that is going out and meeting with all the businesses in Duchesne County. I see the extreme importance that this project holds for all the hard working individuals in Duchesne County. I have spoken with oil field workers, farmers, small businesses, and the non profits in our area. All in all it is apparent that the large majority see the importance that this project holds for our communities. We need the opportunity to diversify and allow our area to have a stable economy. With having a major railroad this allows for manufacturers and other types of businesses to look at us as a place of interest. In the last twenty five years only two manufacturers have checked this area out and the first questions asked were: Do you have a major highway? Do you have a major airport? Do you have a major railroad? We're sorry, but we are not interested... is the answer from the past, and may I say it would be so gratifying to finally say yes we do, and besides that we have the best workforce in the state. I hear from the farmers that they could get a cuber and send out their hay over rail. We did a feasibility study about two years ago in regards to a grain mill, and it came back very positive with even more positive comments on the feasibility if we were to obtain a railroad. I see this as something that could really bring our area to life, and I for one want to voice my total and undying support to the proposed rail line. I wish I could record the comments that have been spoken to me, but that is not doable. I only hope that a portion of those Individuals will see that their comments do matter and that they need to no longer remain silent. We dearly need this railroad and hopefully you will understand that we who live in the area truly see the benefit it would bring. Thank you for the opportunity to express my support. Sincerely yours, Dorothy A. Carter
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