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Hello,

We the undersigned members of the Brockport United Methodist Church are expressing our concerns about the proposed waste by rail project currently being reviewed by the Surface Transportation Board under docket number 36833.

Along with all of the noted environmental hazards listed in previous comments the proposed route of this rail line would directly cross our church property. The impacts would be significant as we utilize the area in the proposed rail line route for a number of church functions. This part of our property, which is currently maintained as a lawn, is used for a play area during our Vacation Bible School and is utilized as overflow parking for our fund-raising campaign that runs from October to May of the following year each year.

Aside from loss of use of our property our members have also expressed concerns about the following items related to this waste by rail project.

1. Disruption of our weekly worship service
2. Disruption of our Pastor's studies and general life. Our Pastor lives in the parsonage which is less than 50 feet from the proposed route directly beside the church
3. Damage of our antique stained-glass windows
4. Loss of value of the property
5. Safety issues due to the close proximity of a rail crossings on Mclaughlin Rd and State Route 219 both of which are within 100 to 150 feet of the church entrance
6. Traffic issues due to the dual road crossing in close proximity
7. Loss of members for any or all of the above concerns

We respectfully request that your department deny this permit and allow us to continue our worship and service to our community without interruption.

Thank you,

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