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GLBT Application
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To the Surface Transportation Board:

Dear Sirs and Madams,

I am not a farmer.

I do not own any land that will be directly affected by the GLBT proposal.

I am writing to object to the Great Lakes Basin Railway project.
The shareholders are secret, and the project seems to be an effort to revive the
Peotone Airport and the Iliana roadway. These projects are both "dead", and have NO
real local support any longer.

There is no demand for a rail line as proposed. On the other hand, the right-of-way
requests, and the land request near Kankakee have always been inconsistent with a rail
line. The new revelations, literally in the last hours allowed, suggest that the airport, a
PRIVATE toll road, and perhaps a refinery were the real goals all along.

The lack of transparency, the secrecy of the shareholders, the last minute grudging
release of data, all suggest a dishonest proposal.

Even if there is no more to this project than admitted, it will strangle farms, cut off entire
communities from commerce and emergency services, and disrupt thousands of lives to
enrich a few - whose names YOU know, but we do not. There is no greater public good
here. The GLBT railway serves no public need, no Railroad has asked for or supported
it, and it will NOT result in any net economic growth for the areas impacted.

Thank you for your time and attention.