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GLBT Application

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The Great Lakes Basin application is extremely brief in regard to the public necessity of the project. They fail to adequately address the serve negative impacts of the route on the rural communities, they gloss over the fact they have no operating experience and no in place financing, they fail to show any preference for their route from other rail operators, they have failed to show that the current system is inadequate, as their is no analysis of current and future trends in rail traffic (such as the expanded Panama Canal, the increase in the use of pipelines, and the growth of the rail markets in other cities), and GLBT fails to show the public benefits educationally, socially or environmentally form the project. Their application contains no balance sheet, no letters of intent, no construction quotes, and no letters of support from anyone not employed by this start-up company. This project needs to be immediately denied as there is simply no public necessity for the line.