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In regard to docket number EP-749-1 and the proposed reduction in rail banking timelines. I live in Racine, WI and have experienced first-hand the benefits of trail development from rail-banking. These trails create crucial links to area municipalities, employments centers, and nature corridors. The rail-banking timeline should be kept as long as possible to allow organizers to develop plans, fund-raise, and implement rail-to-trail conversions. Therefore, I fully oppose shortening the permitted time for rail banking as proposed in docket EP-749-1. Thank you for your consideration.