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To: Surface Transportation Board

From: George L. Richter
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Re: Great Lakes Basin LLC Application request

I am submitting this letter to point out that the application is incomplete as to public information required according to your own analysis.

What is the Motion for Protective Order that GLB filed with the application? It is a document requesting permission from the STB to allow GLBT to keep proprietary and commercially information in the List of Stockholders and other documents secret from the public.

Granting this motion would be a direct violation of your own application procedures and a violation of your responsibility to the public you are appointed to serve. Frank Patton and his alleged backers knew full well the application and disclosure requirements before they ventured into this folly and NO Non-Disclosure agreement has ANY validity with your board OR the public right to know.

Your actions as a board should be very clear to you all. Deny the Order of Protection, issue a No Build Decision and close down the GLBLLC endeavor.

Thank you for your consideration;

George L. Richter