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Ms Rutson,

Aside from all the concerns expressed regarding the noise, safety, environmental, and financial implications regarding GLB proposed project, they need to be held accountable for their lack of any creditable reasoning based upon Mr. Patton's letter to you dated 2/28/17.

February 28, 2017

Ms. Victoria Rutson

..... "This letter responds to your December 13 letter regarding suspension of OEA's environmental review of the Great Lakes Basin Railroad project. Great Lakes Basin continues to prepare its application for authority to construct and operate a new line under 49 U.S.C. §10901(a) and 49 C.F.R. §1150.1. We are preparing the required application content for project overview, information on the proposal, operational data, and financial data."

CONTINUES TO PREPARE? THIS HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR YEARS, AND THERE DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE ANY SUPPORT FOR THE PROJECT. ALLOWING GLB TO DRAG THIS OUT HOPING THEY CAN GARNER SUPPORT IS A SLAP IN THE FACE TO ALL THE FAMILIES WHO'S LIVES HAVE BEEN PUT ON HOLD AND IMPACTED BY SUCH AN ILL ADVISED PROJECT.

" We are holding discussions with potential customers, shippers, and other parties who may file statements in support of the application. These discussions are ongoing and are expected to continue for several more weeks."

SOUNDS LIKE THERE NEVER WAS, OR WILL BE SUPPORT, AND THEY ARE GRASPING FOR STRAWS.

" Accordingly, we are not in a position to file the application at this time. We suggest that OEA extend suspension of the environmental review process until April 30, 2017, at which time we will either file the application or provide another status report."

ANOTHER STATUS REPORT? I WOULD VENTURE TO SAY THAT THEY WILL ASK FOR (ONCE AGAIN) ANOTHER EXTENSION..... THEY DO NOT HAVE THE BUSINESS BACKING TO MAKE THIS WORK. IT'S SIMPLY NOT NEEDED.

WE PRAY THE STB DOES THE RIGHT THING, AND KILLS THIS PROJECT.

Regards,

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