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Dear Members of the Texas Delegation:

Thank you for your recent letter expressing your continued support for the proposed project in Texas Central Railroad and Infrastructure, Inc. & Texas Central Railroad, LLC—Petition for Exemption—Passenger Rail Line Between Dallas and Houston, Tex., Docket No. FD 36025. We appreciate knowing your continued support for this project.

As you are aware, on June 20, 2019, the Board directed Texas Central to submit specific additional information that would assist the Board in considering Texas Central's petition to reopen the Board's July 2016 decision, in which the Board found that it does not have jurisdiction over the proposed project. On August 21, 2019, Texas Central responded to the Board's request. Numerous parties have filed replies to Texas Central's submission, which were due earlier this week, on October 8, 2019.

We cannot comment on the merits of Texas Central's petition, because it is currently pending before the Board, but please know that we are carefully reviewing all of the filings submitted in the proceeding.

Again, thank you for your letter on this matter, a copy of which has been placed in the docket. If you or your staff have any questions, please contact us or Lucille Marvin, Director of the Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance, at 202-245-0238.

Sincerely,



Ann Begeman
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