

Tongue River Railroad Letter of Support

Ken Blodgett
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20423-0001
Environmental filing, Docket No. FD 30186

Re: Finance Docket No. 30186

Dear Mr. Blodgett:

I support the Tongue River Railroad Company's application to construct a new rail line, and request a fair and timely review. The Tongue River Railroad and the development of the Otter Creek mine will provide much needed economic value to the state of Montana and a tremendous boost to Eastern Montana's economy. The railroad project would positively affect Montana by creating much needed family-wage jobs to replace those that will be lost due to the shutdown of power plant units. I have no doubt that compliance with Montana's high environmental standards will be required. Please see that there are no unnecessary delays that decay the economic feasibility of this project.

Sincerely,
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