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Docket No. FD 35952 – Environmental Comments

Since one STB requirement when an applicant files an application for a rail project is that the applicant certify under penalty of perjury that:

- 1). All details and statements in the application are honest, accurate and correct.
- 2). The person submitting is qualified to make these representations.

Frank Patton refused to submit an application. He continues to change what GLBT will do if permitted. How does the STB evaluate so called "Quiet Zones"? What is a quiet zone when it comes to a freight train traveling at seventy (70) miles per hour (MPH) through the countryside? Will there be walls used as buffer zones? How can that work?

There are several unanswered questions that need to be addressed before the STB board can put forth their statement.

How can Frank Patton's application be approved if he hasn't submitted an application and disclosed the true purpose of his rail line? What specifically are the hazardous materials that he proposes will traverse the rail line? Will it be Bakken crude oil? What other hazardous and explosive materials does he plan to send through the countryside at seventy (70) MPH? We need to see a complete plan. We need to know where the financing for this project is coming from. Right now everything seems to be a secret; there is no transparency. Where will the freight come from? Don't the residents have a right to know what is going to destroy their lives as they know them?

For these and many other reasons I believe that the STB should deny this project.

Thank you,

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