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Mr. Dave Navecky
Surface Transportation Board
Attn: Docket No. FD-35952
395 E. Street SW
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Re: Great Lakes Basin Railroad
Docket No. FD-35952

Mr. Navecky,

I am writing to express my concern with the Route of the Great Lakes Basin Railroad. The railroad has only one proposed route with no alternate routes reported even though founder Mr. Patton claims the route could alter up to 30 miles. It is uncertain how an effective safety and environmental impact study can be conducted when the exact areas to be impacted are unknown. Mr. Patton also addressed concerns about local areas within the route at a meeting in Grundy County by saying, "It's gonna happen. I ah, it's absolutely gonna happen. ". With Mr. Patton's extreme confidence that his project will move forward regardless of the concerns of the public and the lack of information pertaining to the finalized route there has developed a concern with many people that Mr. Patton holds arbitrary influence with his project. It is the hope of many of the citizens in the impacted area that the Great Lakes Basin Railroad proposed project will be given a thorough in-depth analysis as to its impact without the influence of any political or commissary influences.

Sincerely,



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