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Surface Transportation Board
Office of Environmental Analysis
395 E Street S.W., Room 1110
Washington, D.C., 20423-0001
Attn: Diana Wood

Re: Your letter dated August 13, 2015, STB Docket No. FD 34284 – Southwest Gulf Railroad Company – Construction and Operation Exemption – In Medina County, Texas; New Programmatic Agreement

As landowners in the path of the planned rail line, we wish to be included as a consulting party to the new Section 106 Programmatic Agreement for FD 34284.

After completion of the document, our decision will be made to concur or not to concur, based on the contents of the new Programmatic Agreement.

My wife and I reside at 776 county road 354 in Upper Quihi Historic District. We are charter members and active members in the Quihi and New Fountain Historical Society.

Both my wife and I are well-versed on the proposed "Modified Eastern Bypass Route" and other alternate routes. In addition, I have a chemical engineering degree with 33 years experience in crude oil processing and the petro-chemical industry. I have first-hand knowledge in industrial railroad transportation.

Our farm was awarded a Texas Family Land Heritage certificate for continuous family ownership and agricultural operation since 1881. My wife was born in a historical landmark home in Quihi. Many of her relatives are buried in local Quihi cemeteries which date back to the early 1800's and ties us to the rich history and heritage of Quihi.

Please consider our introduction and our wish to be included as consulting parties.

CC: Charlene Dwin Vaughn, ACHP
Texas Historical Comm., Bill Martin

Sincerely,
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