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Surface Transportation Board
Rini Ghosh,
Section of Environmental Analysis
1925 K Street NW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Finance Docket #34284
#EL-2936
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Re: Finance Docket #34284
Vulcan Materials Co. / Southwest Gulf Railroad

Dear Ms. Ghosh:

I own property that will be affected by the railroad track and train. I was raised on the farm and want to retire to peaceful retirement on that property. A train traveling through the area will create a bunch of noise, dust, and organic fumes.

I believe this is the wrong location for this project. Vulcan/SGR can go further west to less populated area that will affect fewer people and be cheaper to construct.

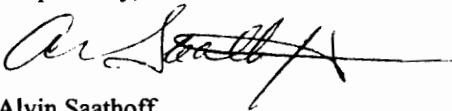
I do not want the historical and archeological sites in the area harmed by the construction of the rail and the movement of heavily loaded trains.

This rail will also cross many drainage creeks and block them off. Bridges will need to be constructed over all drainage creeks. This requirement should be part of the conditions on the issuing of a permit. I do not want to see flooding in the area.

I want highway overpasses constructed wherever the railroad crosses roads. This requirement should be part of the conditions on the issuing of a permit.

The fuel storage and maintenance area should be moved out of the Elm Creek flood plain. I do not want to see fuels and oil spilled into the flood plain.

Respectfully,



Alvin Saathoff