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By e-mail to rutsonv@stb.dot.gov

Ms. Victoria Rutson, Director
Office of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20423

Re: Finance Docket No. 35874, *Lone Star Railroad, Inc. and Southern Switching Company -- Track Construction and Operation Exemption -- in Howard County, TX*

Dear Ms. Rutson:

In conjunction with the Environmental Assessment in the above proceeding, please be advised that Lone Star Railroad, Inc. proposes the following as voluntary mitigation of the environmental effects of the proposed track construction:

- (1) LSR shall consult with Howard County, Texas regarding curb cut and road planning in the vicinity of the proposed track construction.
- (2) LSR shall use industry best practices in order to minimize noise in the residential area to the south of the proposed track construction.

Very truly yours,



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