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Subject: Correction of typographical error on previous correspondence-Comments on Draft Cultural Resources Report by HDR on Southwest Gulf Railroad Right-of-Way, STB FD 34284

Dear Ms. Wood:

It has come to my attention that my March 17, 2017 letter commenting on the February 2017 Draft Cultural Resources report by HDR for SGR contains an error. This error is on page 2, third paragraph, line 5: "Then proceeding north crossing FM 2676 one-half mile east of CR 265". It should read: Then proceeding north crossing FM 2676 one and one-half mile east of CR 265. I am embarrassed by this typographical error and apologize for any confusion it may have caused for any reviewers. The corrected distance is obviously necessary to avoid the eastern boundary of the Upper Quihi Rural Historic District, which contains structures such as a historic house, gas station and perhaps other items which contributes to UQRHD being recognized in the National Registry.

Please add this correction to your deliberations in considering avoiding the current proposed Weiblen Modification of the Eastern Bypass Route. What has previously been stated concerning the MCEAA Medina Dam Route is still valid, and unaffected by the typographical error. The MCEAA Medina Dam Route with minor route deviations remains the only STB approved route for the SGRR to avoid the UQRHD. Also see Steptoe and Johnson letter EI-3150. Copy enclosed. I am placing a hard copy with enclosure in the mail to you.

In closing, I wish to thank all of those concerned for their sincere and devoted deliberations in carrying out their mission protecting and preserving Texas history.

Respectfully,

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Encl: Copy of original letter and copy of EI-3150

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