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Helena, MT 59601
August 20, 2015

Mr. Ken Blodgett
Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street, SW
Washington, DC 204230001

Attn: Environmental Filing, Docket No. FD 30186 (Tongue River RR, Montana)

Dear Mr. Blodgett:

Tongue River Railroad should NOT be built. Please adopt the "no action" alternative.

The climate change enabled by the development of the Otter Creek mine this railroad would service is reason enough. You know the figures...1.3 billion tons of coal burned in Asia for over 50 years, a formidable addition of greenhouse gases to the atmosphere.

More locally, the coal trail shipments traveling across several states to the West Coast proposed export terminal would wreak havoc among those communities through which the dramatically increased train traffic would pass. Again, you are aware of the impacts: decreased property values, traffic congestion, life-safety hazards (including surface ambulance traffic blocked at rail intersections) and more pollution.

Thank you for rejecting this ill-considered project.

Sincerely,
Bob Adams
Helena, MT

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Adams", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.