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Surface Transportation Board
Section of Environmental Analysis
1925 K St. NW
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Dear Sirs:

It is now positive that the DM&E railroad project can move ahead. I am sure you don't need any explanation from me on how this came about,

Officials of the Federal Administration will decide on issuing the loan. But, before they reach that decision they will need your elaborate environmental report. That is why I am urging you to complete it as soon as possible.

I have been in favor from the beginning of the DM&E project and want it to move forward as quickly as possible. I have been on your mailing list from the start of this project.

Thank you for your attention to this very important Project. It is one that will be an asset to all of Southern Minnesota.

Yours truly
James N. Hansen