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Joshua Wayland
Surface Transportation Board
c/o 9300 Lee Highway
Fairfax, VA 22031
Attention: Environmental filing, Docket No. FD 36284

Dear Mr. Wayland,

Never in a million years did I believe it was possible to think that a rail could become a reality. Over my lifetime I have heard dozens of times that the reason that the economy was so unpredictable was because the transportation of goods in and out of our region was so limited. I have watched my children struggle to stay in the area and have observed first hand how fragile the economy is. We have not recovered from the last recession because the cost of doing business costs substantially more when freight options are not available. Help us make sure that the next generation of residents are not living from one downturn to another. Give us a chance to do better.

Let the rail move forward,

Dan Bennett

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