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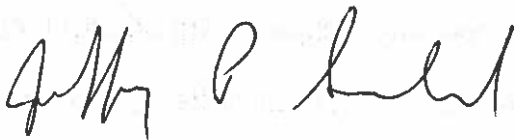
To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing as a private citizen of Boone County, Illinois, and a supporter of our Boone County farming community. I would like to go on record and to urge you to NOT support The Great Lakes Basin railroad project, from Milton, Wisconsin, to Michigan City, Indiana. This project could ultimately have a profound, harmful, **NEGATIVE** impact on the farming communities, where this railroad will be built.

Our counties do understand some of the short-term benefits from this project. However, the significant long-term damage done by this railroad project would **SO** outweigh the benefits achieved. Especially disturbing and appalling would be **DAMAGE TO QUALITY OF LIFE**, of citizens of the affected counties, including **PROFOUND** destruction and value of their properties and farmland, built up by **GENERATIONS** of families. The disrespect and apathy toward these families is **APPALLING!** The environment also, would be negatively affected, permanently!

Thank you for allowing me to voice my concerns regarding the proposed project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey P. Swanlund". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jeffrey" being more prominent and the last name "Swanlund" following in a similar style.

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