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Attention: Victoria Rutson
Environmental Project Manager
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Dear Ms. Rutson:

This letter is an urgent request to you for an extension from 90 days to 180 days of the STB Finance Docket No. 33407/ EIS Draft, DM and E Railroad project. This project will profoundly effect the total environment in the City of Skyline, which very much needs protection, not only for ourselves but for our children.

This document wipes out a number of homes in our neighborhood, including our next door neighbor. This, of course endangers our house and immediately affects adversely its financial value. As a Mental Health Consultant to hospitals, I am deeply concerned about the health hazzards of open coal cars so close to residents of all ages, from small children to retired persons! We very much need the extended time to study and evaluate our situation.

Appreciatively,

Dr. Fred O. Doty,
Dr. Fred O. Doty
Skyline Resident.

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