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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown, Chief
Section of Administration
Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20024

Re: Finance Docket No. 35952, *Great Lakes Basin Transportation, Inc. -- Authority to Construct and Operate a Rail Line in Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin*

Dear Ms. Brown:

In behalf of Rock Against the Rail (RAR) an ad hoc committee of landowners and citizens of Rock County, Wisconsin, who are adamantly opposed to the track construction in the above proceeding, this is to respectfully request an extension of 15 days, to June 30, 2016, of the date for filing scoping comments in the above proceeding.

Justification for the requested extension is that undersigned counsel was only recently retained by RAR to represent it in opposition to the proposed track construction, so that a modest extension of the filing date for comments is necessary for counsel to adequately review the numerous issues associated with this complex and lengthy track construction, and to prepare adequate comments.

RAR has not been dilatory in retaining counsel in this matter. Inasmuch as notice of the proposed track construction was not provided to the entities most adversely affected, i.e., the landowners within and near the route of the proposed track construction, there was substantial delay before many of the landowners became aware of the proposal, and had the opportunity to delve into the extensive background and purported justification for the proposal. Thereafter, counsel was retained in due course.

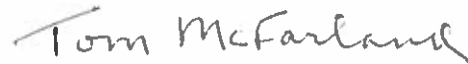
Prior to filing this extension request, I spoke with Jay Johnson, Esq., counsel for Great Lakes Basin Transportation (GLBT), who stated that GLBT does not oppose the requested extension. This requested extension is being served on Mr. Johnson and on the available service list by expedited means where possible, and by U.S. first-class mail in all other instances.

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Inasmuch as the filing date for comments is drawing near, the Board is respectfully requested to act on the requested extension on an expedited basis.

Respectfully submitted,



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