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FD 34284

Ms. Victoria Rutson, Chief  
Section of Environmental Analysis  
Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20402-0001

Re: FD 34284  
Proposed Southwest Gulf Railroad  
Medina County Project

Dear Ms. Rutson:

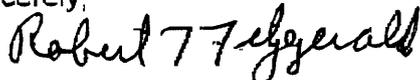
As per my telephone conversation with Rini Ghosh this date I am making the following request. Based on the number of inquiries from members of the MCEAA, Inc., we request the STB to conduct at least two public workshops in this area concerning the EIS on the above matter.

As previously noted in Dr. Kitchen's letter of January 31, many of the people in this area of Medina County who would be impacted by this project are unfamiliar with the proper procedures to address their concerns about this project to the STB. We believe this request for public workshops is justified.

We are also requesting that you consider extending the deadline for submitting these comments if the workshops can not be held within the proper time frame.

Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,



Dr. Robert T. Fitzgerald, President  
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cc: U.S. Senator John Cornyn  
U. S. Representative Henry Bonilla  
Texas Senator Frank Madla  
David Barton, Attorney  
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