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Honorable Ray LaHood  
Office of the Secretary  
United States Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. LaHood:

The purpose of this letter is to expand upon my concern over the rail line that is threatened by the bank erosion of the Canadian River between Oklahoma City and Shawnee, Oklahoma.

It is my understanding that there is an imminent danger of losing the service on this line if there is further deterioration of the bank. Not only would this threaten the ability of numerous OG&E customers who depend upon this line to transport goods, but it creates a potential threat to the livelihood of their workforce, which would suffer a loss of income if these companies were to close or reduce operations.

I know you and many others share this concern and are attempting to address this issue.

I believe there is an opportunity to prevent a great deal of economic damage to the community, the state, and all of our respective organization, if a preventative solution can be found. I respectfully submit that it is in the public interest to avoid the loss of service on this line.

Richard D. Clements

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard D. Clements". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Manager of Economic Development  
OG&E Electric Services