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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

Subject: CN Railway Company/EJ&E, STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

I have been a resident of the South Holland area for the past 10 years. I am writing to you in regards to the railway congestion and the frequency of trains passing through my area. CN has proposed to relieve this problem by acquiring additional rail lines belonging to EJ&E. Once these new lines are in their possession, areas like mine that suffer from high train congestion will begin to see relief as CN plans to redirect many freight train routes to these new lines. I sincerely urge you to support this course of action.

I am mostly affected by the freight congestion on Sundays. On Sundays, I pick up a friend in Riverdale and go to church. The freight trains often make me late for church, which is very annoying. Just imagine how frustrating this is for all the people delayed en route to work every day. Thankfully, CN intends to reduce the frequency of delays and disperse the freight train traffic more evenly throughout the entire region.

Please support CN's acquisition of a portion of the EJ&E line. With your support on this issue, my community can keep moving. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



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