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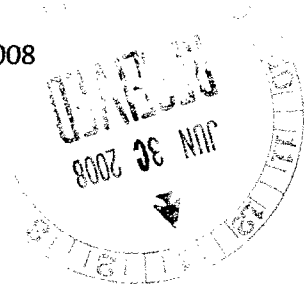
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Ms. Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.

Acting Secretary-Surface Transportation Board

395 E Street, SW

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RE: Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

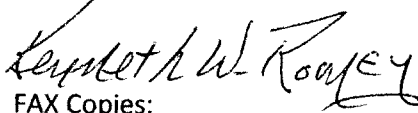
I am writing in support of Canadian National Railway's efforts to purchase most of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway. I am a retired CN National Account Manager, retired after almost 43 1/2 years service. I support this purchase because it is good for the rail industry, in general, and the shippers I served while employed by CN.

During my tenure as National Account Manager, I was responsible for the management of major forest products companies such as Boise Cascade, NewPage Corporation and Packaging Corporation of America, all served by CN in Minnesota, Illinois, Kentucky and Michigan. Each of those operations depended heavily on consistent, delay free transportation to and through Chicago. As their National Account Manager, I recommended they support the acquisition because I believed it would benefit them through improved service and efficiency in their respective operations.

CN acquisition of EJ&E will improve transportation to, from and through the Chicago area providing relief from congestion within the Chicago Terminal and surrounding area highways. Additionally, CN access to warehouse facilities currently served by EJ&E will provide an opportunity to lower rail transportation costs through the elimination of at least interchange and the reduction of the number of carriers in the routes.

I thank you for your time and ask you to complete the work on the EIS and approve this transaction.

Sincerely,


FAX Copies:

Honorable Richard J. Durbin

Honorable Barack Obama

Gentlemen, I urge you, too, to support this important application.