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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:

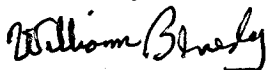
As a resident of South Holland, I would like to take some time to voice my support for CN's proposed acquisition of the EJ&E Railway. This will greatly relieve much of the railway congestion experienced in the Chicago area.

With the current situation, it is very time-consuming for trains to travel from point A to point B. It is not uncommon for me to get stopped at a rail crossing multiple times in a month. When I have tried to drive and find another crossing, there is typically a train crossing there as well. Also, trains come by my house almost daily at five o'clock in the morning and blow their horns. This situation has become a problem.

If CN is able to acquire a major portion of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway, much of the freight traffic that currently travels through this area would be able to use another railway on the outskirts of the region. This would not only decrease the time that it takes for them to get through the Chicago area, but it would also decrease the amount of trains that travel through my neighborhood. Using this railway will allow freight trains to move their goods more efficiently by reducing the amount of time it takes to reach their destination, as well as by lessening the amount of diesel fuel that is used.

For these reasons, I support CN's acquisition of the EJ&E Railway and urge you to do the same. This area has much to gain from the transaction.

Sincerely,



William Beverly

cc: Senator Richard Durbin
Senator Barack Obama
Congressman Jesse L. Jackson Jr.