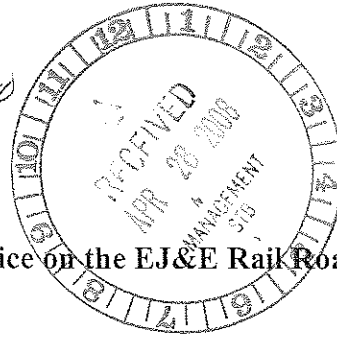


Resolution No. 08-040

A Resolution Supporting Continued Industrial Rail Service on the EJ&E Rail Road in Grundy County.

A RESOLUTION opposing the Canadian National Railway Company (CN) for authority to control the EJ&E West Company (EJ&E) UNLESS approval of the application is conditioned to service the Illinois River Line and accompany Joint Lead Track with the same level of service and to assess rates and changes that ensure economic and non-discriminatory access to all rail carriers who connect with the EJ&E, and

WHEREAS Grundy County industries served by the EJ&E play a vital role in the economy, and,

WHEREAS those industries provide quality jobs to area residents, and,

WHEREAS industries served by the EJ&E have commodity and business models that are highly rail dependent, and,

WHEREAS providing rail service to the industries located south of the Illinois River is fundamental to their success and important to the re-development of the Midwest Generation property,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the County of Grundy opposes the CN for authority to control the EJ&E unless approval of that application is conditioned to service the Illinois River Line and accompany Joint Lead Track with the same level of service and to assess rates and changes that ensure economic and non-discriminatory access to all rail carriers who connect with the EJ&E.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND ENACTED this April 8, 2008.

ATTEST:

Lana J. Phillips
County Clerk

Francis E. Halpin
Board Chairman