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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq
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RE: CN Railway Company/EJ&E
STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

I am writing to seek your support for CN's proposed purchase of a portion of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern rail line. CN intends to redistribute freight rail in efforts to reduce the train congestion that has plagued this city.

While I am currently disabled, I am very familiar with the frustration residents feel here when always having to wait for freight trains that pass through our community. When I used to drive I would regularly find myself stuck waiting for freight trains 3 to 4 times a week, every week, for as long as 20 minutes. This does not need to be a fact of life in our community and I think CN's plan is a reasonable alternative. The plan will keep the trains running, lower costs for rail road operators and ease the burden we all feel as we sit in traffic waiting.

I hope you will agree and give your support to CN's plan.

Sincerely,


Billy Pyle