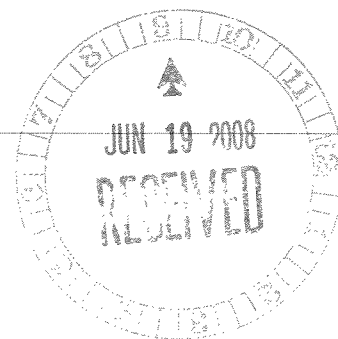




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RE: Finance Docket n. 35087

Dear Ms. Quinlan,

On behalf of the Park District of Franklin Park, Illinois, I am writing this letter to support the proposed acquisition of the EJ&E Railway by Canadian National Railway.

Over the past several years, Franklin Park and many other communities have experienced a significant increase in train traffic and vehicular congestion. CN is offering a private solution to address congestion, bringing improvements to dozens of communities across the region.

As you are aware, northeastern Illinois is a vital part of freight transportation in the United States, therefore any improvement that decreases freight travel times, while improving vehicular traffic, should be strongly considered. I understand that some communities will be affected by this change, but we need to look at the big picture and do what will benefit our region as a whole.

We support CN's acquisition of EJ&E and encourage the Surface Transportation Board to review the transaction and approve it in a timely manner.

Sincerely,

Joseph Modrich
Director of Parks & Recreation