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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
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RE: CN Railway Company/EJ&E, STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Secretary Quinlan:

The Chicago region needs your help to ensure CN's proposed acquisition of the EJ&E line is approved in order to successfully reduce train congestion. Chicago is plagued with frequent freight traffic, something that comes along with being the transportation hub of North America. Thankfully CN's plan addresses this issue and is a positive step towards solving the city's railway congestion problems.

As you know, the abundant freight traffic forces commuters to frequently wait at blocked crossings. The trains can be pretty long sometimes, which makes it very difficult to operate on a schedule or in the case of an emergency. In the past, I had taken the commuter rail to work, and the freight traffic had made it hard to coordinate my rides.

I urge you to support CN's plan to reduce freight traffic in the Chicago area. With their acquisition of a section of the EJ&E line, the freight traffic will be evened out and reduced overall. Your authority is what holds CN's ability to make this move.

Yours,

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