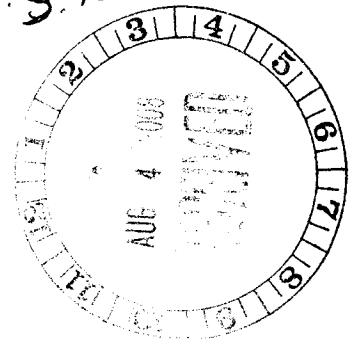


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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

RE: CN Railway Company/EJ&E, STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

I would like to take some time to inform you of the rather unfortunate reality that exists here in South Holland in regard to freight train congestion. From my home right near the 170th Street railroad crossing, I very often see idling trains blocking the crossing. When I am out on the road in my car, I also encounter these trains. I have seen trains take up to 20 minutes to clear a train crossing.

Given this background, I appreciate the anticipated efforts of CN Railway to move a lot of this freight traffic out of the area. By re-routing freight trains to a part of the EJ&E line, the number of trains that we will see coming through South Holland will be reduced by an estimated 19 per day. This will help us both in terms of the traffic problems mentioned above and with regard to the ability of trains to move freight with fewer stops and more efficiency. Since many will benefit from CN's plan, you should move quickly to approve it. Thank you.

Sincerely,

R. Collins

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