

August 26, 2008

Ms. Phillis Johnson-Ball
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

Ref: STB Finance Docket No. 35087

I strongly oppose the acquisition of the EJ&E rail line by Canadian National Railway Company. This acquisition will significantly have a negative impact on the day-to-day functionality of our community.

I strongly oppose this multi-million-dollar transaction because of its potential impact on our neighborhood, schools and businesses in the Barrington area.

I personally cross these tracks every time I leave my neighborhood. The effects of a 400-percent increase in freight traffic on these railroad lines will contribute to significant delays and delayed emergency response times and added costs for taxpayers.

Please do not support this acquisition!

Thank You!

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Debarah J Maropis". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Debarah J Maropis
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