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

RE: Acquisition of EJ&E Rail Line by Canadian National
STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball:

Be advised that I have been a resident of Barrington, Illinois, since June 1981. This letter is to make certain that you understand, in no uncertain terms, that I am in strong opposition to the acquisition of the EJ&E rail line by Canadian National. Since moving to Barrington from Minneapolis in 1981, I have witnessed Barrington's increase in population and that of the surrounding suburbs, resulting in a major increase in traffic congestion. In recent years, Barrington has continued to address its growing traffic congestion due, in part, to existing rail traffic. The burden of additional trains disrupting traffic flow would be crippling to emergency vehicles, as well as personal travel.

I am fortunate to live and work in Barrington, but there is **no way** that I can get to and from my place of employment without being impacted by rail traffic, and that is under current conditions. I could foresee the town becoming deadlocked up and down Highway 59, Lake Cook Road, Northwest Highway and Hart Road, and these are only the streets on which I personally travel to and from my place of employment.

I urge you to consider the residents of Barrington, who have chosen to live and do business in the community. The proposed acquisition would negatively impact the future of all of us!

Sincerely,



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