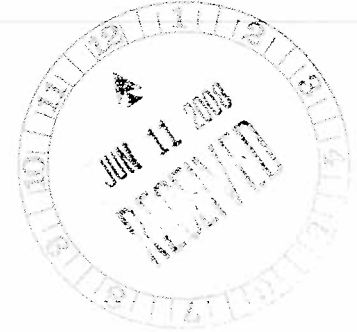


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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq
Acting Secretary
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395 E Street, SW
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Dear Secretary Quinlan:

I would like to convey my support for CN's plan to purchase a portion of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern line, and subsequently relocate the majority of freight traffic out of our area.

I am regularly frustrated by the slow movement of freight trains. Their glacial pace causes significant delays in traffic that induce a great amount of stress for residents. The constant presence of the trains in our neighborhoods also creates problems in terms of noise and air pollution.

I completely understand that moving goods by rail is very cost-effective, but Chicago has grown quite a bit since the rail lines were first laid. Relocating them makes sense, both economically and in terms of the quality of life for area residents.

Please approve this purchase to help alleviate congestion in the Chicago area. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fiana Komis".

Fiana Komis

cc: Senator Richard Durbin
Senator Barack Obama
Congressman Mark Steven Kirk