

Dear Phillis Johnson-Bally

I am about the CN/EJ and E acquisition, STB Finance Docket No. 35087.

The railroads concern me very much, because of the many things by them.

I have a beautiful fox, and her name is Soxes. She comes, and eats in our backyard. If there are too many trains that run in our yard, then she ~~would~~ won't come to see us anymore. She also raises her babies in our yard as well.

She also takes great care when crossing the railroad tracks. She looks left then right, and then left again. It's easy for her to go across if there are just the regular amount of trains, but with more I don't believe she would be able to cross safely.

Also my commute time would be increased. Every day my bus goes over the railroad tracks, but with too many trains I ~~would~~ won't be able to get to school on time.

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Around our school there is a the rail road tracks, and I know for a fact that there isn't a stopping arm. A lot of kids live near by those tracks and cross them to get to school. Your increased amount of trains will make it to dangerous to cross at 116th Avenue.

Also on the note of my school, we often ~~be~~ play outside during gym. The teachers use whistles to tell us when to stop. Let's say a train is coming by, and blowing it's whistle. Let's also say that we aren't supposed to stop. If we hear a whistle, we'll stop. But if the teachers are yelling at us to continue. We won't hear them, then when the train leaves we'll be yelled at for stopping.

In subdivisions like mine, we have trees to block out some of the noise, but other subdivisions don't have trees to block out the noise. If your running trains through at 12 at night, and 1 in the morning, and two, and 3, I have to ask. When will I sleep?, I Lauren L.

Bird already wake up at five-thirty
five in the morning so I can go to
band. Plus on top of that, I don't
sleep very ^{well} ~~and I get isomed. a lot~~

So I need all the sleep I can get,
and before you think that I should
just take sleeping pills. Well I can't,
I'm only thirteen. So your trains
would disrupt my sleeping habits.

My brother John is asthmatic.
If he suddenly were to have an
attack, and he needed to go to the
hospital do you think with all the
trains he would live? No, he'd be dead
on the ground, and ~~it~~ it would All Your
fault. I love my brother, and I want
him to live, but he does have asthma,
and he could have an attack.

Also if there were a fire in
my neighborhood do you think a fire
truck could get here in time? No, it
wouldn't. The fire would destroy the
house or houses.

I know that the trains carry hazardous
waste on them. What would happen if

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if they suddenly were to spill everywhere? Our normal fire department wouldn't know how to respond. So if your going to transport hazardous waste through my backyard, at least give them money to get them proper training.

That's all I have to say about those problems. Please consider making some of these changes, or at least just making it one train an hour, or not running trains at night.

Sincerely,

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