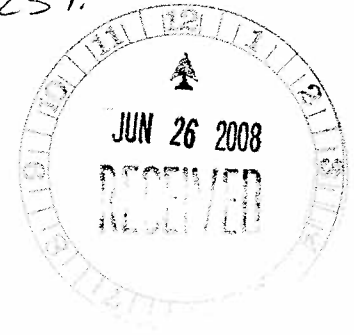


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Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20423

Subject: *Canadian National Railway Co., et al. – Control – EJ&E
West Company, STB Finance Docket No. 35087*

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

I am writing in support of CN's proposed acquisition of the major portion of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway Company (EJ&E). This transaction will improve rail service in the Chicago metropolitan area, to the benefit of railroads and their customers as well as the Chicagoland region generally.

I am President of Workhorse Rail, LLC, a Pennsylvania based manufacturer and supplier of freight components to the North American Rail Industry. Making the railroads more efficient will grow their business and in turn increase the need for products from my company. The environmental impact of railroads must be recognized and the desire of the CN to invest and improve the central US corridor is extremely important.

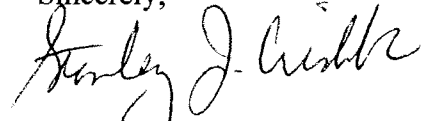
I also urge the STB to approve this transaction expeditiously, as proposed by CN in its request for establishment of time limits for the environmental review and for issuance of a final decision. I support a meaningful environmental review to examine the impacts of moving train traffic off of downtown Chicago rail lines to the EJ&E, particularly as some communities along the EJ&E right-of-way will experience train traffic increases. The STB's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) has been examining these issues for the last several months and has provided opportunities for

community residents and officials to comment on the transaction. Interested parties also will have the opportunity to provide comments on the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on this transaction once it has been issued.

I urge the Board to complete its environmental review process expeditiously, and to approve this beneficial transaction as in the public interest.

Thank you for your consideration of my views.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stanley J. Cieslak". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Stanley" being more prominent.

Stanley J. Cieslak, P.E.
President
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cc: Victoria Rutson, Chief, Section of Environmental Analysis