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Phillis Johnson-Ball
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423
Ref: STB Finance Docket No. 35087

**RE: Canadian National Railway Company and Grand Trunk Corporation-Control—
EJ&E West Company (STB Finance Docket No. 35087)**

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball:

As a resident of the City of Warrenville for 6 years, I've been paying close attention to the proposed purchase of the EJ&E Railroad by Canadian National (CN). I know that the City of Warrenville has met with CN representatives three times and has conveyed resident concerns, particularly by those living so close to the tracks. It is my understanding, that there will be a significant increase in train traffic (over 70%) and hazardous waste traveling through our community.

The potential environmental impacts related to the transportation of hazardous materials are of great concern. Like myself, there are numerous residents located immediately adjacent to the EJ&E Railroad line with an elementary school and park located less than a mile away. These households have also experienced years of vibrations from existing train traffic. In addition, Maple Hills Subdivision residents are located adjacent to the EJ&E Railroad line and are very concerned about the Gas Pipe Line that is under the railroad tracks. A study should be taken to determine the impact of an explosion.

It is because of my concerns about safety and quality of life that I oppose this transaction. I hope the Surface Transportation Board considers the severe impacts on local residents when evaluating this transaction. Should you require further information, please feel free to contact me at 630 876-5627.

Sincerely,

cc: Judy Biggert, U.S. Representative - 6262 South Route 83, Suite 305, Willowbrook, IL
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