

June 23, 2008
15012 S. Center Street.
Plainfield, IL 60544



Dear U. S. Surface Transportation Board,

Please deny the U. S. Surface Transportation Board Finance Docket No. 35087. You have been elected to represent the tax payers of the United States in surface transportation matters. Please accept your responsibility and deny this purchase. Docket No. 35087 refers to the proposed purchase of the E J & E Railroad by Canadian National Railroad. Canadian National Railroad will increase dramatically the number of trains which cross through Plainfield everyday. When the trains head northwest, the train comes to a complete stop so that they engineer can get out of the train engine and manually switch the train rails. The train is completely stopped for 10 minutes when this happens. This creates unbelievable congestion as no vehicles, including emergency vehicles, can move. Please come to our town and see what the traffic & train congestion is like. When Canadian National will be pulling their long freight trains thru Plainfield, 15 streets in the village will be blocked. There is only one above grade crossing in Plainfield. Is Canadian National willing to pay for the installation of above grade crossings? These railroad crossings will be blocked for long periods of time. How am I do get to work or move around my town when a train is blocking 15 streets for a two mile long freight train every twenty minutes? Why does a Canadian Railroad have the right to destroy my village with their congestion causing trains? This is not fair. Please deny Docket No. 35087.

A fellow taxpayer,

Craig Raino

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Craig Raino".