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Message: Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball,

I am really struggling with why we, the American taxpayers, are being asked to pay for the mitigation that will be necessary if the Canadian National acquisition is passed. I completely understand the beauty of the American dream, that anyone can do business in America where they are able flourish and profit from that business, but not at the expense of the taxpayers. Does the STB know that CN earlier this year agreed to pay \$135 million dollars in track improvements to a newly acquired Sand's line? If Canada, CN's own country, is requiring that CN is financially responsible, why are we being so negligent? Let CN come in, but not until they sign an agreement that says that they will pay for all the necessary grade crossings to be changed to above grade crossings. And necessary should be deemed by the emergency professionals that need to respond to the citizens in the effected towns. The real concern here is safety, so if CN wants to expand their business and their profits they need to commit to paying for mitigation to keep the communities along the EJ&E safe.

Respectfully,  
Cherie'Hein