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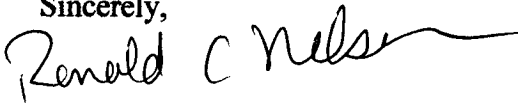
To: Phyllis Johnson-Ball
Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423
Ref: STB Finance Docket NO. 35087

I am writing to urge you to reject the Canadian National acquisition of the EJ&E line in the Chicago area. If the sale is approved, as many as 20 trains could pass through this area every day. There are many problems that this sale would cause for our area and few benefits.

If the Canadian National acquisition should be approved, it would have a severe negative impact on the operation of my business. My partner and I travel to and from our Hawthorn Woods headquarters many times in a day. It's very important that we maintain good customer service and keep our appointments promptly. We already run into trouble with the bad traffic in the Lake County, IL area, but with the addition of the train traffic and the halting of traffic on the affected roadways, I fear it would become a detriment to my doing business in this area.

My business is already struggling with the high gas prices and time wasted trying to get to customers' jobsites in Lake County. I cannot bear the additional burden of lost time due to traffic delays from railroad crossings.

Sincerely,



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