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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

RE: CN Railway Company/EJ&E
STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

As a resident of Harvey, I would welcome a move toward relieving the train congestion in the Chicago area as it has been getting rather out of hand. CN Railway has devised a plan to reroute freight train traffic to an existing rail line on the outskirts of town and needs your approval to purchase a portion of this rail line from its current owner, EJ&E.

I retired two years ago so I do not encounter the same delays as when I had to travel in rush hour traffic. However, it is not unusual for me to wait up to ten minutes for trains to pass, particularly at the crossing at 159th Street. The calculation is that Harvey would go from roughly 15 or more daily freight trains passing through to just one. This would be a significant change for the better and I trust that the Surface Transportation Board will not stand in its way. Thank you for your anticipated support.

Sincerely,



Alice Dawson

cc: Senator Dick Durbin
Senator Barack Obama
Representative Jesse L. Jackson, Jr.