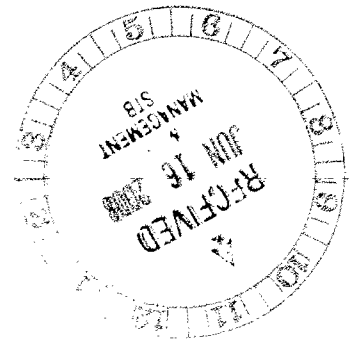


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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

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

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

Many Americans are concerned about the environment. There is an inordinate amount of freight rail traffic in Chicago, and the CN Railway has devised a plan to relieve this traffic by re-routing most freight trains to a rail line outside the city. I trust that you will support this project because it will help the environment.

CN Railway requires the Surface Transportation Board's approval before being able to go ahead with this worthwhile project. It would entail purchasing a railway line from the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway that runs along the far western outskirts of the area. This line would then bear a large amount of the freight traffic passing through the greater Chicago region.

This is a definite step in the right direction. Pollutants caused by trains queuing up and, in turn, causing street traffic to back up and add to the cumulative effect of air pollution would be greatly reduced. It would be nice to see this vicious cycle turned around to the advantage of our residents. Thank you for your anticipated support.

Sincerely,

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cc: Senator Dick
Senator Barack Obama
Congressman Luis V. Gutierrez