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Phillis Johnson-Ball, Section of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street SW
Washington, D.C. 20423

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball:

I live in Aurora very close to the EJ&E rail lines and I have the following concerns over Canadian National's purchase of the EJ&E rail lines, Finance Docket # 35087:

- **Increased traffic congestion.** If we assume an additional 25 freight trains with each taking 5 minutes to pass, this would account for more than 2 hours wait time a day.
- **Safety.** With the increased delays cause by the additional trains, I believe there will be more accidents at the crossing and the nearby intersections. With this increase potential for accidents on and/or near the tracks, my concerns with trains transporting hazardous materials increases and there possible derailment.

I am asking that the STB condition the proposed transaction on Canadian National constructing a grade separation at 95th Street and/or 111th Street to help alleviate these concerns.

- **Noise.** I believe the noise from increased number of trains would negatively impact the schools, Peterson Elementary School and Crone Middle School, located very near the tracks, to say nothing of the homes.

I am also asking that the STB condition the proposed transaction on the institution of a quiet zone thorough Naperville/Aurora area and construction of sound walls to shield residents from the noise and visual impact of the added trains. I understand that the board will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the acquisition; I look forward to the opportunity to review this document.

Sincerely,


Rebecca L. Poston

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