

September 15, 2008

Phillis Johnson-Ball
Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

Ref: STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball:

As a resident of New Lenox Illinois and a businessman doing business in Frankfort, Mokena and New Lenox, all communities directly impacted by the possibility of EJ&E railroad being purchased by the CN railroad, I would like to express my concerns. I understand the number of trains may exceed 30 trains in the future and that these trains may extend 3 miles in length causing huge delays in my town.

I strongly believe that the CN purchase is a horrible idea. My crews start their day south of town in Frankfort and we are very fortunate to have many contracts through out Frankfort, Mokena and New Lenox. The added train traffic will impact me from a scheduling standpoint as I will need to take into consideration the crossings being blocked for extended periods of time. The additional man-hours and gas used while waiting at the gates will definitely increase our operating costs. We are lucky to live in a growing and prosperous area and to be able to employ 25+ people. A change like the CN coming to town can change things drastically for a locally owned business.

Please take my concerns into consideration and vote **NO** to the CN.

Sincerely,

Michael Trevarthan