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470 Westwood Drive
Barrington, IL 60010
August 20, 2008

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

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball:

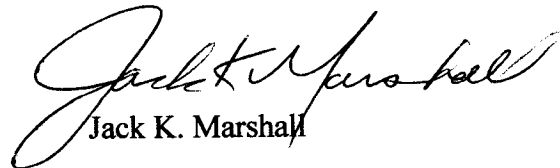
Ref: STB Finance Docket No. 35087

My name is Jack Marshall. My wife and I live at 470 Westwood Drive in the Village of Barrington, Illinois. Our home is located within 100 yards of the EJ&E railroad tracks. We, along with our Westwood neighbors, will be adversely affected by the proposed increase in the number and length of trains to run on the EJ&E tracks.

While the shift of trains to the EJ&E tracks may be of some economic benefit to the Canadian National Railway Company, transferring travel time delays and inconvenience; safety and hazardous material concerns; emergency response time delays; and noise, vibration and air quality pollutions from one group of communities to another group of communities with no significant net safety, environmental, or energy advantages is not good public policy.

While it may be desirable to reduce train congestion through Chicago, a solution other than the proposed shift of freight train traffic to the EJ&E is required.

Sincerely yours,



Jack K. Marshall

Cc: Senator Richard Durbin
Senator Barack Obama
Congresswoman Melissa Bean