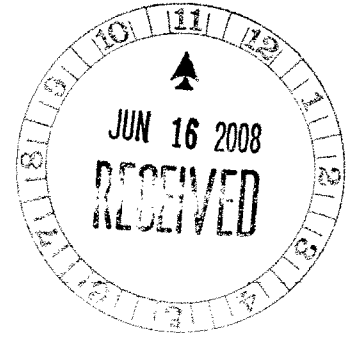


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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

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

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

I sincerely urge you to approve CN's acquisition of part of EJ&E. This major rail line operator is planning to reduce our area's train congestion, which has been a major problem for the Chicago region and for me personally. Their plan depends on acquiring the EJ&E railway tracks which circumnavigate the city. I fully support this plan.

South Holland is surrounded by railroads. When I travel in and around my community of South Holland, I seem to be held up by a train. If I'm late for any event, it's invariably due to a train blocking a crossing as train schedules are never accurate and the time a train spends idling is unpredictable. Diverting around the train is sometimes possible, but it takes more time and uses more gas.

Reducing this area's train congestion is a serious issue for residents of South Holland. If anybody has an injury and needs to get to the hospital, the trains make the situation life-threatening. CN's plan will directly reduce the congestion in our area and I fully support their efforts. I strongly urge you to approve the acquisition. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Margaret Stewart

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