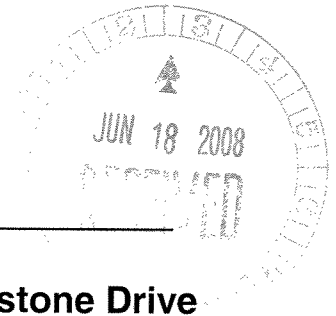


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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
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Subject: *CN Railway Company/EJ&E*
STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

CN plans to reduce the number of freight trains in Vernon Hills by purchasing a segment of the Elgin, Joliet, & Eastern railroad lines. This proposal will help to alleviate traffic, and will also be beneficial for the environment and the economy. Idle freight trains tend to emit needless emissions into the air, as well as waste fuel, so it is better to move the rail lines to an area where freight travel will be virtually uninterrupted.

I have been a resident of Vernon Hills for 50 years. I have seen this area grow from a rural community into a suburb, and I think it is essential that this proposal passes so that we can continue to see more growth in this area, unencumbered by infrastructure deficiencies. The constant congestion that my family and I have to deal with occurs between the mall and school, creating a lot of inconveniences for us.

I write to you with urgency. Please approve CN's proposal to greatly diminish freight traffic in the Vernon Hills area.

Sincerely,

Dee Clark

cc: Senator Dick Durbin
Senator Barack Obama
Congressman Mark Steven Kirk