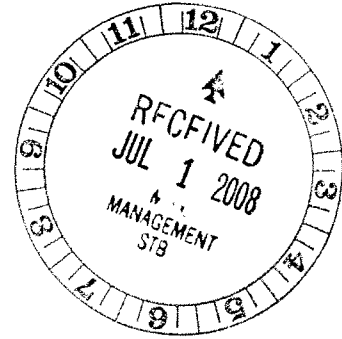


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Anne K. Quinlan
Acting Secretary
U. S. Surface Trans. Board
395 E. Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001



Re: Case No. U.S. Surface Transportation Board Finance
Docket No. 350 87

Dear Ms. Quinlan:

I was glad to see a letter in our local paper ("Herald-News") urging us to write you with our concerns regarding the purchase by CN of the local EJ&E line which runs through Joliet, IL.

Routing trains away from Chicago may be good for the people of that area but, please, consider OUR area.

You should visit the location of the tracks which run across Empress Rd. in Joliet; and the ones which run across McClintock Rd., the dividing road between subdivisions Leland Hills and McClintock in Will County, IL. It is a real test of patience and waste of the public's time to sit and wait long periods of time while the trains pass through our area.

There are already 133 at-grade crossings in our county which require all traffic to stop for long periods of time as the roads are not elevated. We don't need anymore!

We would appreciate an extension of the period of time for accepting comments on the sale from 45 days to 120.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this situation.

Very truly yours,

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