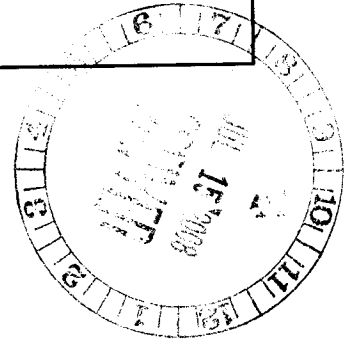


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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
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Subject: CN Railway Company/EJ&E, STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

The Chicago region is a major rail transportation hub for northern, mid-America. Because of this communities throughout the area must deal with an excessive number of freight trains on a day-to-day basis. The consequences of which are exponentially increased traffic delays caused by freight rail congestion. CN has a plan to improve the way commuters and freight trains coexist. This plan will allow CN to purchase a large section of railroad that is currently under-utilized and redirect many freight routes within the south suburbs to these tracks. This redistribution of routes will help to lesson traffic congestion and delays and improve freight travel productivity.

As a resident of Chicago, I constantly run into idle trains. When I was working, the trains near Sacramento and Talman Streets often delayed my route. In addition, just a couple of weeks ago I was on Western Street and I sat at that train-crossing for 35 minutes. If the number of freight trains can be distributed amongst the entire Chicago region it would help to alleviate the heavy traffic congestion in my area.

Secretary Quinlan, if this proposal goes through, area residents will have the ability to travel without the hassle of over-planning their routes. I ask that you put to this issue to the top of your agenda and see to its implemented approval.

Sincerely,

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