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Phillis Johnson-Ball
STB Finance Docket No 35087
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

RE: Canadian National Railway Company and Grand Trunk Corporation Control- EJ&E
West Company (STB Finance Docket No. 35087)

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball:

As a resident of Village of Bartlett, Illinois I am writing to express my strong opposition to Canadian National Railway Company and Grand Trunk Corporation's (CN) purchase of the EJ&E rail line.

CN estimates that the average number of daily trains will increase from 5.5 to 23.5 along the section of the EJ&E that traverses Bartlett. I am very concerned that my community will be facing significant issues related to public safety, environment, traffic gridlock, and emergency response times if this acquisition is approved.

None of these issues are being adequately dealt with by the CN. I understand that the Surface Transportation Board is charged with the review and approval process for transactions of this type, and has as its mandate to foster rail commerce. However, if your agency does not protect communities from the actions of the railroads, transactions like the one proposed by CN will devastate the viability and livability of villages and towns all along the rail line.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

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WISDOM NEEDS STILL SEEK FOR HIM

For you would surely accept the race of humanity
who is now the Christ of Glory is inviting you
today! The door is the door of your heart. May
you know what it is to respond; and may all His
spiritual blessings be yours this Christmas.

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Surely in the East the Magi brought their gifts to find Him, in the blazing noonday sun a defeated Samaritan woman came to Him, a skeptic exclaimed, "my Lord and my God" when he found Him. And today millions on every continent acknowledge with the Apostle Paul that He is "the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me" (Galatians 2:20).

Wise men still seek Him: and those who seek find more than they ever imagined. For in Jesus Christ, and Him alone, are to be found forgiveness, inward peace, joys in life today, the promises of life eternal.

The Magi found Him as a young child with Mary His mother. We find Him today as the King

of the world. He came to the world, the same as He came to earth. Of His coming the Bible says, "He was made in the likeness of men; and... He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him... that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow... and confess that Jesus Christ is Lord" (Philippians 2:7-11).

While it is true that wise men still seek Him, it is more wonderfully true that He still seeks us, whoever we may be. Now, today, from His place in the heavens comes His divine invitation: "Behold, I stand at the door and knock: if any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he will drink of My cup."