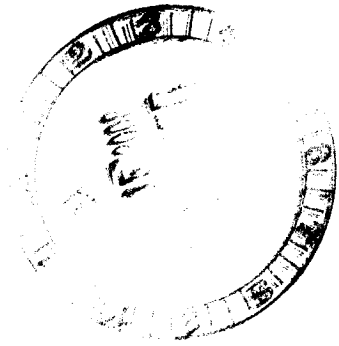


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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
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395 E Street, SW
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RE: CN Railway Company/EJ&E, STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

As a 32-year resident of Chicago Ridge, I am fed up with the tremendous amount of train congestion we have. CN has proposed to reduce the freight congestion that Chicago Ridge sees by re-routing many trains to the EJ&E line. I welcome CN's proposed acquisition of EJ&E. I strongly suggest that you approve this endeavor.

CN's purchase would be meaningful to area residents because it would lead to the reduction of 8 or 9 freight trains per day in Chicago Ridge. The ever present slow moving freight trains create a constant irritation. For example, even though I leave for work at 5:50 AM, the train created backups stretch to my driveway. Obviously this makes it hard for me to get to work on time. Moreover, the noises pollution from the freight trains are so annoying that I recently had thicker, more expensive, windows installed in my home.

Chicago Ridge and other communities nearby are too crowded to have this many trains coming through on a daily basis. The very fact that the trains stop so frequently is a testament to the seriousness of the issue. By moving many of its freight lines to the EJ&E line, CN would be doing a favor to area residents. Please approve the purchase so CN can move forward with their plan.

Yours truly,

Johnnie Evans