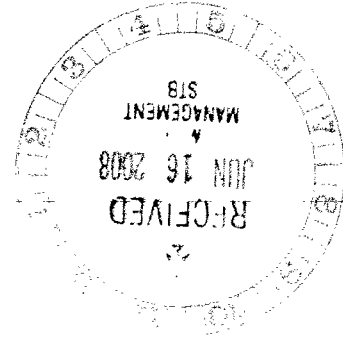


June 9, 2008



Ms. Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

RE: Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

I am a retiree of CN, having been a proud railroader for 44 years. While working for IC and then CN, my job functions included working with the various railroads in the Chicago area as it related to interchange agreements, joint facility agreements, Customer Service and various Transportation Service related activities. As a result, I am well aware of the difficulties railroads face as they struggle to continually find ways to do what they do better and more efficiently. I am a resident of Illinois, having lived in-state for 18 years. I continue to be amazed by the amount of misinformation that is circulating in the press about CN's efforts to acquire the EJ&E.

It is well-known in railroad circles in the Chicago area that congestion is one of the most critical issues facing railroads in the area. It has also been repeatedly stated that the EJ&E has for years been able to provide a ready route for traffic that needs to move around the Chicago area that does not have to stop in Chicago. CN has made it known that it is willing to make significant investment themselves, while many railroads would immediately work on lining up public money to fund such a purchase and would use the arguments of efficiencies to rationalize it. In contrast, CN feels it more appropriate to fund themselves all of the purchase and railroad improvements that are required. They are also willing to add a very significant amount of additional, private dollars to fund mitigation projects for the various communities. These communities benefit from the low rail transportation costs and as the safest method of transporting goods.

I believe that this transaction is the right decision for rail transportation needs in Chicago and for the overall strength of our economy. Your complete review and approval of this transaction is requested.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carey L. Moak".

Carey L. Moak
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cc: The Honorable Barack Obama
The Honorable Richard J. Durbin
The Honorable Luis V. Gutierrez
The Honorable Rahm Emanuel