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

RE: CN Railway Company/EJ&E, STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

CN has proposed to purchase a portion of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Line and redirect many of their freight trains to these tracks. This acquisition will prove to be advantageous because of its ability to reduce traffic, pollution and improve the overall efficacy of freight transportation.

Idle trains are a constant inconvenience in this area. It is a steady battle trying to get to my destinations when traveling. On 159th Street going west, there is never a time where there is not a train blocking the railroad crossings. In addition, on 144th Street, crossing over from Riverdale to Dolton, the trains are almost always idle. Sometimes, I try to find routes that bypass the trains; however, they are always out of my way, and usually require me to put more fuel in my car.

The train congestion in Dolton is a serious matter that needs to be handled as soon as possible. Please do not delay in approving this proposal as train congestion will only get worse. I encourage you to voice your support and approval for CN's acquisition of segments of the EJ&E line.

Sincerely,



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