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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:

Unfortunately, freight trains are a large presence in my community. The situation is distressing for someone like me who runs a business in a high traffic area. It affects me getting to my place of work to such a degree that I once waited in my car for 45 minutes at a railroad crossing; this is completely unacceptable. CN's proposal to re-route much of the freight traffic that currently runs through my area of South Holland is quite welcome. I hope that their purchase of a section of the EJ&E line is met with swift approval, so that they can move forward with this idea.

Although CN's plan will greatly reduce traffic delays throughout the Chicago metropolitan area, I am naturally most concerned with the congestion that paralyzes South Holland. If this proposal is approved, there would be 18 to 19 fewer trains running through here on a daily basis. This will make an enormous difference. I request that you take this into account, and approve CN's proposed purchase of EJ&E.

Sincerely,



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