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

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

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

CN Railway's plan to send most of Chicago's current freight traffic onto an outer rail network would go a long way to improve the traffic flow in the region. This plan requires your approval as it includes CN purchasing a the EJ&E line. I hope that you please approve this acquisition.

I have lived in Olympia Fields for 20 years and when traveling into Chicago, I drive through Homewood. I get stopped at the train crossing in Homewood often and it normally delays me 10-20 minutes each time. Sometimes, I use Route 394 in order to avoid the trains, but a resident having to go to the extent of mapping out alternate routes in order to bypass delays at crossings is not the ideal community experience. Olympia Fields and many other parts of the greater Chicago area would benefit from displacing freight traffic to the outskirts of town and I hope you will allow this to actually happen. Please give your approval to CN's plan. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Mary Livingston