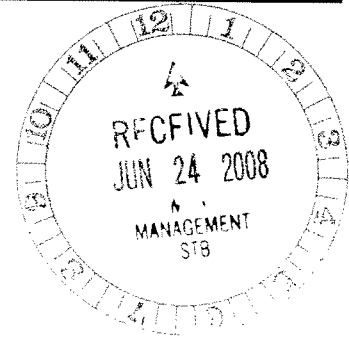


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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423



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

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

CN has strategized a plan to reduce the amount of freight trains that travel through Chicago and the surrounding areas. This plan consists of CN purchasing a major part of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern railroad line and redirecting freight trains towards the outskirts of Chicago. CN's plan will help to improve the fluidity of traffic and reduce air pollution.

As a retired individual, I do not drive as much as I used to. However, when I do travel, I encounter delays at train crossings on a regular basis. I usually spend most of my time trying to find an alternative route to bypass the train rather than wait at railroad crossings. Alternate routes, when available, consumes an unnecessary amount of fuel and time. Nevertheless, for those that travel daily, I can see why train congestion is a burden and looked upon as something that should be rectified as soon as possible.

Furthermore, moving routes to the outskirts of Chicago could help to reduce pollution and help to improve fuel efficiency for commuters. When trains are stopped, they do not shut down completely, they simply remain idle; when in idle mode, they continue to emit hazardous toxins in the air. So, if approved, not only will this improve traffic in Elmwood Park, but it will also improve air quality.

Secretary, I strongly encourage you to throw your full support behind this plan. Do not delay in approving this proposal as the residents of Elmwood Park are counting on you to improve our transportation system.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jane Baker".

Jane Baker

cc: Senator Dick Durbin
Senator Barack Obama
Representative Danny Davis