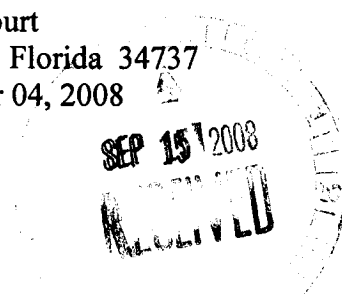


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Ms. Anne Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

Re: Canadian National Railway Co., et al – Control – EJ&E West Company,
STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

I am writing to support CN's request asking the Board to modify the procedural schedule for the acquisition of a portion of the EJ&E. They are asking the Board to make a final decision on the merits of the case and expeditiously complete the final review of all matters, including environmental.

I have serious concerns about the outcome of this situation. This is based on a lifetime of experience with railroads. My career began with the great New York Central Railroad, followed by posts with the New York State Transportation Department under the great Governor Nelson Rockefeller, and Governors Wilson and Carey. All great men. I was the first non-railroad employee to be recognized by "Progressive Railroading," and the first State Agency head to be given a National Rail Award by AASHTO. And many more. Retired now.

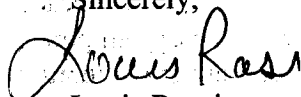
So, my opinion, as a retiree, counts...

The STB's Environmental Review is focused on local issues in 5 counties in Illinois. CN and EJ&E serve 20 States all across America!! They bring superior services to the entire United States. The STB's focus environmental focus should be on all of America!!

As I understand it, the EJ&E's seller will not extend the closing date. It would be a tragic loss of benefits to the United States, if this approval is delayed.

I urgently request that the Board do everything in its power to expedite this acquisition – and well before the deadline, please!

Sincerely,


Louis Rossi