

September 17, 2008

Phillis Johnson-Ball
Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

RE: STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Ms. Johnson-Ball,

I live in suburban Frankfort, IL and I am opposed to the sale of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway line to Canadian National Railway. In this area we experience grid lock on all of our surface roads. The expansion of trains would only serve to exacerbate this situation. It will also extend the response time of emergency crews and police officers as this line crosses every thru north- south street in New Lenox & Frankfort Townships with the exception of US Rt. 45. This would also negatively impact the school bus routes, extending times for our children to be away.

Though CN traffic may be reduced to Chicago and some of it's suburbs- the increase of train traffic to New Lenox/ Frankfort should also be taken into consideration. I agree with the portion of the letter from U.S. Representative Jesse Jackson, Jr. that stated "... I want to promote transportation and rail efficiency -- but not to the detriment of more than 100,000 residents whose lives will be forever adversely impacted, nor to the detriment of half a dozen communities which will be literally divided in two for significant segments of time each and every day,". The increase of trains to the Frankfort area is expected to increase from 6 to 28! I see no benefit in the way of economics to this area by this sale, I am concerned that in the long run it will hurt.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Annette Cap". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Annette" being more prominent than the last name "Cap".

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