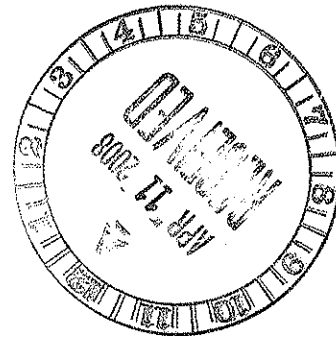


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April 3, 2008

The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001



Re: Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

On behalf of the people of Elmwood Park, Illinois I urge your support of Canadian National Railroad's proposed acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company.

The CN plan would bring major economic and environmental benefits to the entire region: freight traffic would be expedited; trains would no longer idle needlessly while burning precious fuel. In addition, the people of our general area, a highly densely populated area, would be relieved of some of this train traffic. Of course, I understand that freight traffic in Elmwood Park would be reduced while other communities may see an increase. However, I also understand that our region is heavily interdependent, and that rerouting trains away from the congestion of the city will have a positive effect on communities across metro Chicago.

This is a move towards a smarter regional transportation network. I urge you to please help position our region for the future by supporting Canadian National Railroad's proposal.

Thank you for your consideration on behalf of the people of our community and region.

Very truly yours,

Peter N. Silvestri

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