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

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

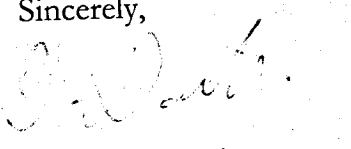
Dear Secretary Quinlan:

Here in Buffalo Grove, it seems as if freight trains are around everywhere all the time. In order to correct this frustrating reality, CN Railway has proposed buying a section of EJ&E rail line. A main result of this transaction, if it goes through, would be the removal of 17 freight trains per day from Buffalo Grove. I strongly support this plan.

I have lived here for 11 years, and I have become very irritated by the delays that slow-moving freight trains generate. When I get stopped in my car by a train blocking the crossing, the delay is often 5 to 15 minutes. As if this were not bad enough, it is also clear that the large amount of pollutants that the idling trains and cars emit weaken our air quality. Any way you look at it, a change is in order.

CN recognizes that so many freight trains traveling on a limited number of tracks inevitably create delays. Their solution is to give their trains more room to travel over, in the form of a portion of the EJ&E line. By having fewer trains come through Buffalo Grove, trains could move more efficiently, drivers would face fewer delays and our air would be less-degraded. Therefore, there should be nothing standing in the way of your approval of this plan.

Sincerely,


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