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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
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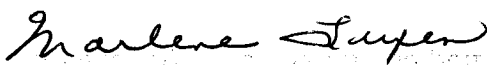
Dear Secretary Quinlan:

I would like to express my support for the proposal by CN to purchase a portion of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern rail line. CN has formulated a plan to relieve the rail congestion experienced in this area. The plan includes CN acquiring a large portion of tracks that are located in the rural areas of Chicago and redirecting several of their freight train routes to these underused tracks located in a more rural part of the Chicago area. This proposal will improve traffic condition and more importantly, decrease noise pollution.

Even though idle trains hold up traffic quite a bit in this area, my main concern is the noise that the trains produce. My daughter's apartment is right next to a railroad and it is very hard for her to get to sleep. All through the night she is subjected to hearing these long, loud blasts from the horns. If approved, the frequency of trains that pass through her area will decrease and the blasts from the horns will occur far less often. In short, distributing the trains throughout the entire Chicago region will help to alleviate both traffic delays and noise pollution.

For health reasons, it is important that one is able to get an adequate amount of sleep. Unfortunately, this is not the case for my daughter. I am concerned about her and what she is put through on a nightly basis. Please throw your full support behind this proposal ensure its approval.

Regards,



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