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

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

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

I would like to take some time to express my support for CN's plan to reduce the railway congestion in the Chicago area. This acquisition consists of CN purchasing the EJ&E line. CN will redirect many of their freight train routes to this existing line that runs through the outskirts of Chicago. This plan will undoubtedly benefit the residents of this area as it will not only improve travel, but will also result in a reduction of air pollution.

As a resident of Harvey, I am stopped by freight trains so frequently that I am often late for work. It is an inconvenience for me to have to cross such busy tracks during my commute as I run the risk of getting delayed for 30 minutes at a time. If approved, I will be able to get to my destinations on time and not have to sit and wait in the heat, wasting expensive fuel.

Furthermore, this proposal will reduce the amount of emissions that trains release into our air. When stopped, the trains do not shut off; instead, they idle and continue to emit an unnecessary amount of toxic pollutants. With the approval of this acquisition, trains will be able to efficiently deliver goods to their destination, which will greatly reduce the amount of time they spend burning fuel.

I encourage you to support and approve this acquisition as it will increase the fluidity of traffic in places such as Harvey. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Taylor



cc: Senator Dick Durbin
Senator Barack Obama