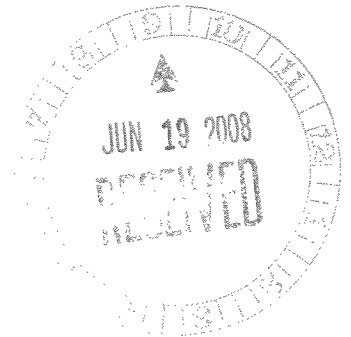


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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
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Re: CN Railway Company/EJ&E
STB Finance Docket #35087

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

I am a supporter of CN's plan to purchase a portion of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern rail line and relocate freight traffic away from Prospect Heights and other communities throughout the Chicago region. Your support is critical in reducing train congestion in our communities.

As you may already know, traffic congestion, excess noise, and air pollution are a few of the biggest problems we face in our communities. Congestion on freight train lines is the main cause for the congestion, excess noise, and pollution. The trains often idle for long periods of time as they wait for rail traffic to clear. While they wait, residents wait. Drivers are stuck at intersections several times a day, and many times in the course of a given week. This inefficient use of freight trains is not good for the economy and not good for environment.

CN's plan could give a break to our ears and a boost to the region's economy, while doing a favor for the environment as well. I urge you to consider these factors and then approve CN's purchase of the EJ&E line.

Sincerely, 

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Senator Barack Obama
Congressman Mark Steven Kirk