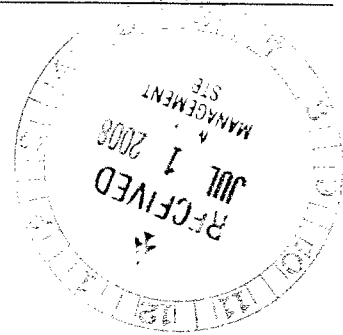


June 17, 2008

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:

I fully stand behind CN's proposal to acquire a portion of the EJ&E rail line with unwavering support as it will greatly improve the traffic conditions in Harvey. If approved, CN will redirect many of their freight train routes to this underused railway, which is located on the outskirts of the Chicago area. Because the train congestion causes so many problems for the residents of Harvey, it is important that this proposal is initiated so that we can finally travel without worry and hassle.

My daughter drives me around and we often get delayed by idle trains during our trips. In addition, the frequent blocking of roads by the freight trains has caused me to be late for church on several occasions. I try to get there early in order to attend Sunday School, but many times, I am unable to do so as I am seemingly always getting delayed by a freight train. There have been times when I have had to wait for 30-45 minutes to allow a train to pass. Simply put, the train congestion in this area slows down a lot of things and prevents people from getting to where they need to be.

If CN is able to purchase this portion of the EJ&E line, many of their freight trains will be able to travel on this less congested rail line, rather than travel on our extremely congested railways. This will do many things for the residents of the Chicago area, as the fluidity of both our railways and our streets will greatly increase.

For these reasons, I strongly encourage you to consider this proposal and give it your firm support. The benefits of this acquisition are too great to pass up.

Sincerely,

Lee & the Hampton

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