

September 27, 2008

Phillis Johnson-Ball
STB Finance Docket No. 35087
395 E. Street SW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Dear Phillis Johnson-Ball,

We stand in opposition to the proposed CN acquisition of the EJ&E Rail Line for the following reasons:

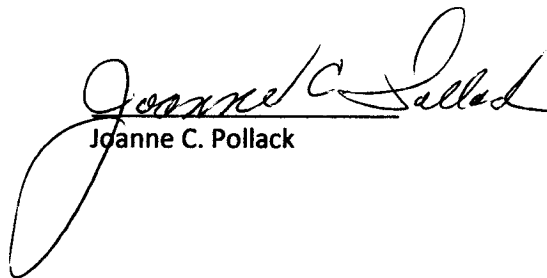
- 1) Significant school bus delays at Railroad Crossings. In our newer municipality of Shorewood, Illinois, ninety-five (95%) percent of school children utilize school buses for transportation to schools.
- 2) The safety of crossings Presently a large amount of Railroad Crossings do not have flashing lights or/and crossing gates, only railroad crossing sign and post.
- 3) The railroad tracks of the EJ&E Railroad border the west of our subdivision of Westminster Gardens. We do not want rail traffic to increase as it would be an increase in noise, and vibrations. In new subdivisions settlement of the ground has always been an issue, we do not need an average of forty-two (42) trains per day to add to more vibration to the area.
- 4) Last, and probably one of the most important reasons we are opposed to the Acquisition is that it will enhance emergency response times to police, fire and ambulances.

Again we are in total opposition to the CN acquisition of the EJ&E Rail Lines.

Sincerely,



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