

September 25, 2008

Phillis Johnson-Bell
STB Finance Docket No. 35087
Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street, S. W.
Washington DC 20423-0001

Re: Canadian National Railway Company and
Grand Trunk Corporation-Control-EJ&E
West Company
(STB Finance Docket No. 35087)

Dear Ms. Johnson-Bell:

As a resident of Warrenville Illinois for nearly 10 years, I've been paying close attention to the proposed purchase of the EJ&E Railroad by Canadian National (CN). I know that the City of Warrenville has met with CN representatives three times and has conveyed resident concerns, particularly by those living so close to the tracks.

I am concerned about how the increased train traffic will impact the auto traffic in the surrounding area. What sort of consideration is being given to the safety of auto traffic and the environmental impact of having autos idling for 15 minutes at a time as trains pass? I am not exaggerating. I have personally been held up at one grade crossing for as long as 13 minutes before being able to cross the tracks. It does happen.

I oppose this transaction. I hope that the Surface Transportation Board considers the severe impacts on local residents when evaluating this transaction.

Sincerely,


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