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Surface Transportation Board
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RE: STB Finance Docket No. 35087

I am a Frankfort resident who is against the acquisition of the EJ&E Railroad by Canadian National Railway. We already have road and transportation issues causing delays and backups on major access roads. Getting to a hospital in an emergency situation is truly a matter of life and death as there is no hospital close to us. Getting to a hospital in a timely manner now is problematic. Most roads are two lane and any situation: rush hour, rain, flooding, traffic accidents cause severe back-ups and standstills now. Currently, ambulances and fire trucks have a hard enough time getting thru for emergency situations. Add 22 more trains per day and we will not be able to get in and of our town for anything.

This is an insane idea. We do not care if Representative Lipinski thinks it is a good idea. It may be good for Chicago but not for Frankfort. Chicago would be transferring their problem to suburbs like Frankfort, New Lenox, Matteson, etc. We don't want Chicago's problem. It will affect not only traffic but safety and the environment. The economic implications will result in increased property taxes for our communities as well.

We don't want this merger to take place. Please vote NO!



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