

ES-2168

April 22, 2006
Ms. Phillis Johnson-Ball
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street NW
Washington DC. 20423
Attention: Finance Docket No.34797

RE: New England Transrail, LLC d/b/a/ Wilmington & Woburn Terminal Railway
Construction. Acquisition and Operation Exemption In Wilmington and Woburn MA

Dear Ms. Johnson Ball:

This community cannot be put at any further risk. As a concerned citizen I would like to offer my comments regarding this issue:

- 1) The project will severely impact heavily populated areas in both Wilmington and Woburn. There are dense residential neighborhoods at both ends of Eames Street, and along the entire length of Route 38 in Woburn. Areas south of the site are dense residential zones.
- 2) The Olin Chemical site is not remediated and the extent of contamination is not fully understood yet. The site should remain undeveloped until its contamination issues are understood and resolved.
- 3) 400 trucks a day will be a hazard on our streets since the majority of the area surrounding the site is residential and we are unprepared in the event of a liquid or solid waste spill. The new onramp built for Route 93 is too narrow for safely transporting materials in trucks.

This area has had its share of environmental injustice. We have 2 landfills, 3 Superfund sites; Industri-plex, Wells G & H and now Olin Chemical all within close proximity of each other.

Sincerely,

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