

Attn: Phillips Johnson-Ball

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I am writing you concerning the

sale of the ETEE rail line to Canadian National Railway Corporation. I am pleading that you do not allow this sale. Our area is

already dealing with tremendously increased traffic flow due to urban sprawl and the

housing boom of the last 15 years. I live in the Deloit, Illinois area and own a trucking and

sewer-water repair company. Road widening and improvements have not yet caught up to the

need for them. From what I read the rail traffic will increase three fold in our area with

some trains pushing 9 miles long. This would create

incredible grid lock and potentially dangerous situations. Because of the enormous amount of imported

goods coming in to our area from the west coast every day - semi truck traffic is at

an all time high here. It would be nice if we could produce goods in the U.S. instead of

importing everything from a communist country (China), but I guess that's not for this letter.

What I ask is that you either seriously consider

blocking this sale or at least force CN Railway to make the needed improvements to not end up

grid locking our traffic patterns as a result of

three fold train traffic. This is a terrible deal for

millions of people in the south and southeast suburbs of

Chicago and hope you treat it as such.  
My confidence in our government is at an all  
time low and I truly believe that in today's  
society BIG BUSINESS wins out every time over the  
ordinary citizen. Please help restore my faith  
in our leaders and vote against CN Railway  
disrupting our way of life indefinitely.

Thank you,

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