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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

RE: CN Railway Company/EJ&E
STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

I would like to take some time to express my support for CN Railway's plan to acquire part of the EJ&E Railway in order to reduce rail congestion. Reducing the congestion would, in turn, have a positive impact on commuter traffic, as well as the environment and economy.

As a resident of the Chicago area, I am negatively affected by the traffic caused by rail congestion during my daily commutes. I have witnessed trains stopping and idling on the tracks for extended periods of time, particularly in the Riverdale area, while I am heading into the city. In addition to the traffic delays, the environment is negatively affected by the congestion as well. With trains idling, additional pollutants are being unnecessarily emitted into our air. With CN's plan, trains will not have to idle nearly as much as the railways will experience an increase in the fluidity, which will greatly reduce the amount of pollutants being emitted into our air. Efficiency delivery of goods will also keep our communities a step ahead of the slowing economy.

CN's plan would resolve the area's problems with railway congestion. As this is a big step in the right direction, I urge you to approve this acquisition. Thank you for your time and anticipated support.

Sincerely,



Elenior Ratcliff