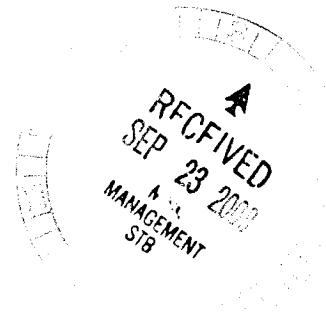


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**The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001**

Re: Docket Number 35087

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

I am writing to you today to express my **SUPPORT** for the Canadian National Railroad's proposed acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway Company. I am one of the millions of people who deserve much-needed relief. Furthermore, I believe this acquisition will help position our region for future economic growth and enhance the overall quality of life for residents across the Chicago metropolitan area.

We have been hearing from naysayers for months, but the truth of the matter is many communities across the greater Chicago area will benefit from CN's purchase of EJ&E. CN's plan to streamline rail traffic flow around Chicago will offer my community and others the dynamic opportunity to attract new business and boost job growth, which we desperately need, while bringing environmental and public safety benefits to even more people.

Removing the constant gridlock on train tracks will provide an effective solution to freight and commuter rail delays, ultimately reducing the emission of fumes from idling trains and resulting in less traffic on our roadways.

Missing this opportunity to improve the business climate as well as the lives of millions of people would be a terrible mistake. I urge you to please support Canadian National Railroad's acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway Company.

Sincerely,
Signature

Printed Name

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