

September 20, 2008

Phillis Johnson-Ball
Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

Ref: STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball:

As a resident of New Lenox, IL, our community will be negatively impacted with the increased number of trains being proposed with the purchase of the EJ&E railroad by the CN railroad, so I would like to express my concerns. I understand that the number of trains may exceed 30 trains in the future and that these trains may extend 3 miles in length causing over 20 minute crossing delays.

We moved to New Lenox and Will County to get away from all the noise, congestion and traffic and now they want to bring it further south? If there is train traffic now in Cook County, why bring it south to Will County? Can't we just leave well enough alone? So there wouldn't be congestion in Cook County anymore but bring it further south to Will? Does that make sense? Not to mention the young families here with small children that need to get to school, etc. safely. We all know how children like to take on the trains and who will win that contest??????

Please take my concerns into consideration when you make your recommendation and vote no to the CN. What if this was your neighborhood? What if it were your children?

Sincerely,


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