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

Ref: STB Finance Docket No. 35087

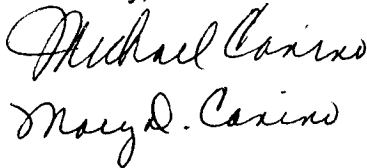
Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball:

As residents of Frankfort, IL for over thirty years, we have seen many changes. Most changes have been positive; however, the recent proposed acquisition of the EJ & E Railroad by Canadian National is not one of those positive changes.

With an initial increase of approximately 400% in train traffic, increased delays at the six rail crossings in the community, as well as the noise and vibration associated with the increased train traffic, there are no pluses to this acquisition for the Village of Frankfort. The safety concerns alone are staggering, including response times by our local fire and police departments to any accidents or emergencies. In addition, our tax dollars SHOULD NOT be used for any improvements to the rail lines due to this proposed acquisition.

As concerned citizens, we are officially voicing strong opposition to the acquisition of the EJ & E Railroad by Canadian National.

Sincerely,

The block contains two handwritten signatures in cursive. The first signature is "Michael Canino" and the second signature is "Mary D. Canino".

Michael & Mary D. Canino
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