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812 Meadow Ridge Lane
New Lenox, Il. 60451
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Surface Transportation Board
395 East Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

Re: STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Phyllis Johnson-Ball

We are very concerned about the purchase of EJ&E railroad to Canadian Railroad.

As a resident of New Lenox, our quiet community will be terribly impacted. We live south of the tracts that CN wants to purchase and hundreds of rail cars daily.

My concerns:

- Ambulance delay to our community while railroad crossings are blocked for a long period of time. (30 trains a day)
- Police services are on the other side of the tracks. Delaying their response time.
- Noise, pollution, possible hazardous materials accidents
- All services, restaurants and schools are on the other side of the tracks.
- Our community south of the tracks consists of Senior Citizens so any delay of life saving services are life threatening.
- The cost of changing these railroad crossing will raise our taxes.
- The use of these tracks for 3 mile long trains will lower the value of our homes.

Please consider my concerns when making recommendations.

Sincerely,


Lois McFadden