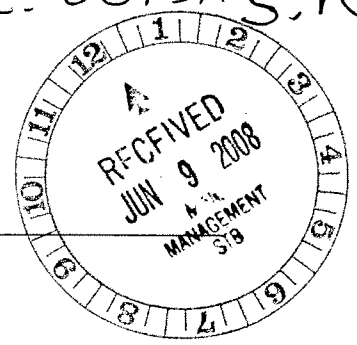


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May 27, 2008

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

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

CN's proposal to acquire a major portion of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway will greatly relieve much of the rail congestion experienced throughout the Chicago area.

The frequency of trains coming through Franklin Park has caused many problems for the residents. Although many have had to learn to deal with it, redirecting freight traffic to the EJ&E Railway would greatly please us. If these trains can use that railway rather than the more congested ones that are closer to us, they will spend less time idling and will be able to efficiently transport goods, using less fuel in the process and emitting less pollutants into the air we breathe.

Trains are extremely efficient, and it is time for us to improve our methods of transporting goods by improving the traffic patterns on our railways. If CN's proposal is approved, the Chicago area will see great benefits, the most notable being less congested railways. For these reasons, I ask you to approve this acquisition.

Sincerely,

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cc: Senator Richard Durbin
Senator Barack Obama
Congressman Rahm Emanuel