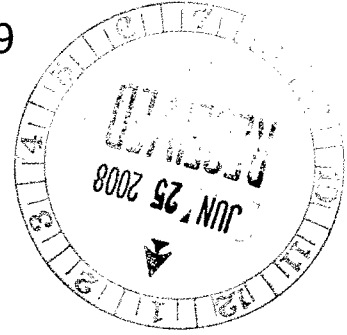


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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

RE: CN Railway Company/EJ&E
STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

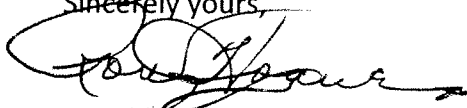
I would like to voice my unyielding support for CN's acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern rail line. This transaction consists of CN purchasing a large division of the EJ&E line and redirecting many of the sluggish routes that contribute to South Holland's traffic conditions to the more open areas of this region. This proposal will help to improve the way commuters travel and will also enhance the efficacy of freight travel.

I get stopped by idle trains very often. Specifically, it occurs almost daily. I do a lot of back and forth traveling through Dolton and stationary trains are a constant presence in both South Holland and Dolton. However, if this proposal is approved, I will no longer have to wait for 2 or 3 trains that are 2 to 3 miles long to pass. I can simply drive without having to worry about whether I am going to get to my destination on time, or if I am going to have to take an alternate route.

This proposal will also help to facilitate economically sound freight travel. The underused tracks that are located on the outskirts of Chicago will provide for smoother travels and a significantly smaller amount of stop-and-go traffic, inevitably cutting down on fuel costs.

This proposal is a great idea. The design of this plan provides benefits for all travelers involved. Please approve this proposal so that residents of South Holland and its surrounding areas can get around with more ease.

Sincerely yours,


Ronald Hogue