

September 29, 2008

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

Ref: STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball,

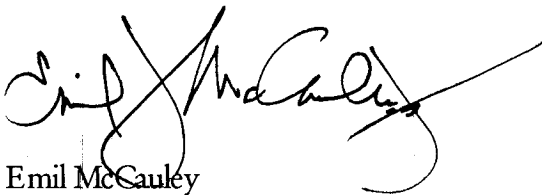
I am writing to express my **opposition** to the prospective acquisition of the EJ&E line by Canadian National Railway. I live south of the tracks in Frankfort, IL and emergency vehicles trying to gain access to our subdivision, or the school that my children attend would be adversely impacted by the approval of this deal. Additionally, I believe the increased number of longer and faster freight trains running through our neighborhoods will result in:

- More accidents or deaths along the rail line
- An increase in automobile traffic gridlock at rail crossings
- Elevated pollution and noise levels
- Adverse impact on our property values

Also, it appears the cost for the impact (both in dollars and environmentally) of such a acquisition would be passed on to the taxpayers. I can't understand why this would be the case, since we don't benefit from such action.

We are hopeful that you will make the decision to vote against this acquisition and to help keep our communities safe for us and for future generations.

Thank you for your valuable time. Respectfully yours,



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