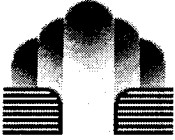


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To Vicki Rutson/STB@STB, Phillis Johnson-Ball/STB@STB
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Subject Fw: STB FINANCIAL DOCKET # 35087

This one is in support.

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To congressional.public.services@stb.dot.gov
cc
Subject STB FINANCIAL DOCKET # 35087

Dear Sirs.

As I longtime resident of Elmwood Park, village with the longest angled railroad crossing in Illinois, I would plead that you vote favorably for the use of the EJ&E outer ring of freight lines for shifting some of the freight trains from our freight lines. Delays caused by freight passing through Elmwood Park have caused me many lost minutes and expense in wasted fuel. In one incident I laid in an emergency vehicle traveling to Gottlieb Hospital unable to cross the tracks until the freight was gone. I have woken innumerable times in the middle of the night to the loud honking of freight trains which starts at River Grove and ends after trains have passed Sayre Avenue in Chicago. Even with a no-honk zone, we still get overzealous engineers laying on the horn. Elmwood Park has quietly endured these conditions for many years. Isn't it time, in fairness for some relief to our community. Please vote to allow this freight shift to the west.

Respectfully,
J.Ashby
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Keep on Stampin'