

Ms. Phillis Johnson-Ball
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423
Re: STB Finance Docket No. 35087

September 28, 2008

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball,

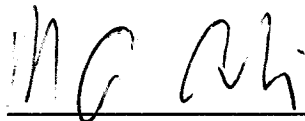
I am writing, again, to express my opposition to the prospective acquisition of the EJ&E line by Canadian National Railway. Now that Congress has weighed in with a substantial thumbs-down on the merger, albeit not the two-thirds vote required to pass this particular anti-merger law, I believe that the STB has all the ammunition it needs to stop this particular deal.

Those in the minority who voted against HR 6707 were concerned about the effect on mergers overall. Had the law been more CN-EJ&E specific, I believe the House bill would have passed handily.

Tens of thousands of U.S. taxpaying citizens in dozens of communities are praying that you will make the decision to vote against this acquisition. The STB cannot be a rubber stamp for any large entity, including foreign ones, to destroy the lifeblood of these towns and villages. If there is not ample evidence that this deal should be turned back, as strongly voiced by citizens and their elected officials, then which deal and why an STB?

Please say NO.

Thank You and Respectfully,



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