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Phillis Johnson-Ball
STB Finance Docket No. 35087
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: Canadian National Railway Company & Grand Trunk
Corporation-Control – EJ&E West Company (STB Finance Docket No. 35087)

Dear Ms Johnson-Ball:

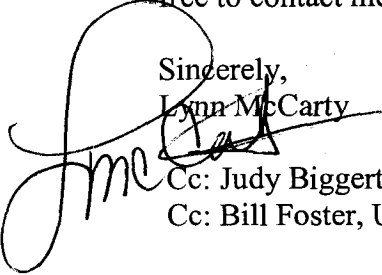
As a resident of the City of Warrenville for 15 years, I have been paying close attention to the proposed purchase of the EJ&E Railroad by Canadian National (CN). I know that the City of Warrenville has met with CN representatives three times and has conveyed resident concerns, particularly by those living so close to the tracks. It is my understanding that there will be a significant increase in train traffic (over 70%) and hazardous waste traveling through our community.

The potential environmental impacts related to the transportation of hazardous materials are of great concern. Like myself, there are numerous residents located immediately adjacent to the EJ&E Railroad Line with an elementary school and park located less than a mile away.

My final concern is about the city's ongoing efforts toward establishing a quiet zone. Staff and elected officials have dedicated approximately 3 years towards this goal. Will this transaction force the city to start at the beginning of this long process? Residents along the EJ&E have patiently waited for a quiet zone to be established for several years.

It is because of my concerns about safety and quality of life that I oppose this transaction. I hope that Surface Transportation Board considers the severe impacts on local residents when evaluating this transaction. Should you require further information, please feel free to contact me at 630-372-2061.

Sincerely,
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