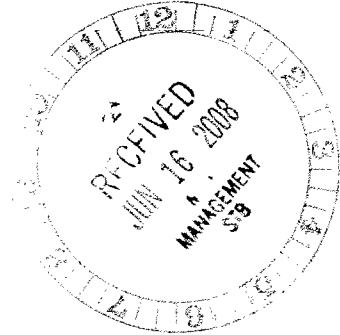


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June 6, 2008

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:

CN has proposed to purchase a major segment of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern railway. This proposal will help loosen up traffic in the Forest Park area, eliminate unnecessary pollutants in our air and will be a catalyst in boosting freight train efficiency.

The freight trains in this area cause most of Forest Park's traffic difficulties. It is a big issue that could potentially get worse if not addressed as soon as possible. Being late to work occasionally may not seem like a big deal; however, when it is occurring almost daily, lost time adds up. For instance, just recently, while we were on our way to work, we came across two idle trains during this trip and, as a result of blocked roadways, were late for work. If not for the trains, we could have arrived to our jobs earlier and completed more work; unfortunately, this was not the case.

I recommend that you assess how rail congestion affects Chicago and its surrounding areas. The acquisition of a part of EJ&E by CN will prove to be advantageous for the economy, the environment and more importantly, the residents of Forest Park.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Erik Hollander in black ink.

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Handwritten signature of Mary Beth Hollander in black ink.

Mary Beth Hollander

cc: Senator Dick Durbin  
Senator Barack Obama  
Representative Danny K. Davis