

September 16, 2008

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

Ref: STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball:

As a resident of New Lenox, a community that will be negatively impacted with the increased number of trains being proposed with the purchase of the EJ&E railroad by the CN railroad, I would like to express my concerns. I understand that the number of daily trains may exceed 30 trains in the future and that these trains may extend 3 miles in length causing over 20 minute crossing delays.

I strongly believe that the proposed CN railroad purchase of EJ&E will drastically negatively impact emergency response times in New Lenox where I live. I'm equally concerned about the increased hazardous materials that will be routinely moving through our communities.

Please take my concerns into consideration when you make your recommendation and vote "NO" to the CN.

Sincerely,



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