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August 11, 2008

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

RE: STB Finance Docket No. 30587

Dear Ms. Ball:

I am sure you are familiar with the proposed purchase of the EJ & E railway line by CN, which will certainly have a negative impact on the lives of *over a million AMERICAN* citizens, not just those who live along the railway path, but also those *hundreds of thousands* who make the commute every day who would then be penalized, due to the added congestion that amount of freight train traffic would bring.

What I don't quite understand is that, **HOW** is it possible, that such a negative concept could even be considered? Here a foreign company has the audacity to think, they have the privilege (or right?) to bring untold misery to *over a million AMERICAN* citizens, just to help line their pockets with added profit? *Is Our Country For Sale?*

This ridiculous concept should have been negated long ago!

As I have always believed, that our **Government is For The People of the USA FIRST!** Not to help create additional profit for a foreign company, over the needs of its' own.

Please consider these beliefs, and the total negative impact such a decision would have on the **American People of This Country.**

Sincerely,



Robert Birch
An American