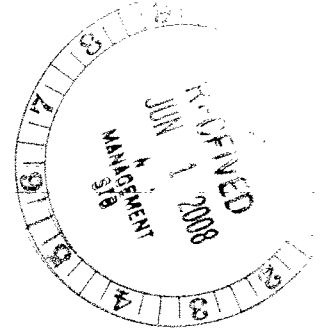


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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
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RE: CN Railway Company/EJ&E
STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

If CN's proposal to acquire a large portion of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway is approved, much of the current railway congestion will be relieved, bringing significant environmental and economic benefits to our area's residents. For these reasons, I am writing to you in support of this transaction.

Railway congestion has negatively affected the residents of the Chicago area in a variety of ways. First of all, frequent delays at rail crossings aggravate those who are forced to sit in traffic for extended periods of time while trains block intersections. Also, the pollutants that are emitted by trains are very high due to the fact that a large portion of the time a freight train spends in this area is spent idling.

CN's proposal, if approved, will greatly relieve railway congestion by redirecting much of the current freight traffic to the EJ&E Railway, rather than through busy railways in Chicago and South Holland. It will also greatly reduce the amount of diesel fuel that is used in a trip, because trains will spend less time idling and more time en route to their destination.

I ask for your approval of CN's proposed acquisition so that these improvements can come to fruition. The Chicago area has much to gain from this transaction.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Isaiah Coney".

Isaiah Coney

cc: Senator Dick Durbin
Senator Barack Obama
Congressman Jesse L. Jackson Jr.