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

Ref: STB Finance Docket No. 35087

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

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball

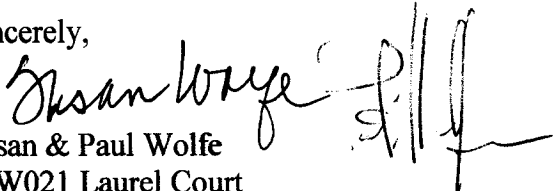
As residents of the City of Warrenville for 7 years, we've been paying close attention to the proposed purchase of the EJ&E Railroad by Canadian National (CN). We know that the City of Warrenville has met with CN representatives several times and has conveyed resident concerns, particularly by those living so close to the tracks. We live approximately 3 blocks from the tracks. It is our understanding that there will be about 70% increase in train traffic and hazardous waste traveling through our community.

The potential environmental impacts related to the transportation of hazardous materials are of great concern. 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. These households have also experienced years of vibrations from existing train traffic. With a proposed increase, how is vibration going to be mitigated?

Another concern is about the City's ongoing efforts towards establishing a quiet zone. Staff and elected officials have dedicated approximately three 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 the quiet zone to be established for several years.

It is because of our concerns for safety and quality of life that we oppose this transaction. We hope the Surface Transportation Board considers the severe impacts on local residents when evaluating this transaction. Should you require further information, please feel free to contact us at 630.651.211

Sincerely,


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