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**BY HAND DELIVERY**

The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.  
Acting Secretary  
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Office of the Secretary  
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**Re: Canadian National Railway Company and Grand Trunk Corporation –  
Control – EJ&E West Company (STB Finance Docket No. 35087)**

Dear Ms. Quinlan:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket is an original and ten copies of the Verified Statement of Mark Eastman on behalf of American Suzuki Motor Corporation in support of the transaction proposed in the Railroad Control Application (CN-2, filed October 30, 2007). I have also included ten copies of the Verified Statement of Thomas F. Jensen on behalf of UPS and ten copies of a statement by the Honorable Mark F. Schauer. I understand that UPS and Senator Schauer are mailing their signed originals directly to the Board.

Very truly yours,

David A. Hirsh  
Counsel for Canadian National Railway Company  
and Grand Trunk Corporation

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cc: All parties of record



AMERICAN SUZUKI MOTOR CORPORATION

VERIFIED STATEMENT  
Of  
MARK EASTMAN  
On behalf of  
AMERICAN SUZUKI MOTOR CORPORATION  
3251 E. Imperial Highway  
Brea, CA 92821



Witness: Mark Eastman, Director of Operations and Logistics. As Director, I oversee the transportation and warehousing of all products shipped by American Suzuki Motor Corporation (ASMC) throughout the United States. I have been with American Suzuki Motor Corporation for 30 years.

American Suzuki Motor Corporation is a distributor of automobiles, motorcycles, all-terrain vehicles, outboard motors, parts and accessories.

ASMC imports automobiles via multilevel railcars from Ingersoll, Canada to Woodhaven, Michigan and through the Chicago Interchange to the western United States. Suzuki imports products using various ports in the United States and transports them nation wide with Chicago as a strategic hub.

American Suzuki Motor Corporation has automotive port processing facilities in Brownstown, MI and motorcycle and ATV warehousing in Bedford Park, IL.

We understand that Canadian National is requesting authority to acquire and operate the EJ&E West Company. We strongly support this application as the combined company would offer improved efficiency for movements through the Chicago area.

American Suzuki Motor Corporation is experiencing severe congestion on rail movement through Chicago and associated delay with freight being moved to the West. With CN's infrastructure investments on the EJ&E lines to add additional capacity and improved rail fluidity on these lines in the Chicago area, I believe that the proposed acquisition would reduce congestion for rail transportation of our product.

We believe that the acquisition will assist in meeting our transportation needs and we support CN's proposal to acquire the rail line.

Sincerely,

Mark Eastman  
Director of Operations and Logistics



*AMERICAN SUZUKI MOTOR CORPORATION*

**I, Mark Eastman, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Further, I certify that I am qualified and authorized to file this verified statement. Executed on 01/31/2008.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Eastman', written over a horizontal line.

**Mark Eastman, Director of Operations & Logistics**

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February 4, 2008

Ms. Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.  
Acting Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20423

Re: Canadian National Railway Company – Control – EJ&E West Company (STB Finance Docket No. 35087)

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

As one of the nation's largest corporate rail customers, UPS has a vested interest in any effort to add rail capacity, reduce congestion, and increase fluidity of the freight rail network. As you may know, UPS has previously testified before the Surface Transportation Board about the need for additional rail capacity and improved service performance. UPS has also publicly stated its concern about the service impact of proposed future Class I rail mergers.

Given these factors, UPS has carefully reviewed the pending Railroad Control Application of the Canadian National Railway Company proposed acquisition of rail lines of Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company (EJ&E). On balance, UPS concludes that the proposal is beneficial to rail customers and strongly urges the STB to approve the transaction.

The proposed acquisition will alleviate bottlenecks and reduce traffic density in the critical Chicago rail crossroads, and will directly benefit UPS southbound intermodal movements on Canadian National. UPS remains very focused on rail time-in-transit, and should enjoy greater service reliability as a result of this acquisition. The network enhancement benefits of this proposal are valuable not only to UPS, but to the thousands of UPS customers that rely upon time sensitive intermodal transportation movements.

UPS is hopeful the STB will move expeditiously to approve this transaction.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas F. Jensen".

Thomas F. Jensen

I, Thomas F. Jensen, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Further, I certify that I am qualified and authorized to file this verified statement. Executed on February, 4, 2008.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas F. Jensen".

Thomas F. Jensen



THE SENATE  
STATE OF MICHIGAN  
**MARK H. SCHAUER**  
19TH DISTRICT  
SENATE DEMOCRATIC LEADER

February 1, 2008

**BY E-FILING**

The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq.  
Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E. Street S.W.  
Washington DC 20423

Re: Finance Docket No. 35087  
Canadian National Railway Company - Control - EJ&E West Company

Dear Secretary Quinlan,

I am writing in support of the proposed acquisition by Canadian National Railway Company of the major portion of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company (EJ&E). There are significant benefits to the State of Michigan associated with this transaction, including faster and more reliable rail service for Michigan's shippers.

Delays in the Chicago area have plagued the rail industry for many years. This transaction will provide Canadian National the ability to route many of its trains now operating through downtown Chicago onto the EJ&E, which should significantly increase the efficiency of Canadian National's operations in the region, reduce train delays in Chicago for the entire industry, and reduce energy consumption.

Rail service is an essential part of Michigan's transportation infrastructure, and significantly impacts our state's manufacturing sector, agribusiness, and growing economic sectors including the renewable fuels industry. Efficiency and reliability in the rail industry is vital to Michigan's economy.

Thank you for considering my comments and entering them in the record for this proceeding.

Sincerely yours,

Mark Schauer  
State Senator – District 19

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I have this 5th day of February, 2008, served copies of the foregoing letter, transmitting the statements of Suzuki, UPS, and the Honorable Mark F. Schauer, upon all known parties of record in this proceeding by first-class mail or a more expeditious method.

  
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Jared H. Powell