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The Honorable Richard J. Durbin  
 711 Hart Senate Office Building  
 Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Mark Kirk  
 524 Hart Senate Office Building  
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Dear Senators Durbin and Kirk,

Thank you for your June 24, 2015 letter regarding the Village of Barrington's (Barrington) Petition for Reconsideration, filed with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) on June 4, 2015, in Finance Docket No. 35087 (Sub-No 8). We appreciate hearing from you and recognize your continued interest in this matter.

As you know, Barrington filed a petition on November 26, 2014, requesting that the Board order Canadian National Railway Company (CN) to install a grade separation at U.S. 14. Barrington first sought a grade separation during the Board's review of CN's application to acquire control of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company. The Board denied Barrington's 2014 petition on May, 12, 2015, concluding, among other things, that Barrington's evidence did not meet the applicable standard for reopening. Barrington's June 4<sup>th</sup> petition asks the Board to reconsider its May 12<sup>th</sup> decision.

Because Barrington's petition for reconsideration is currently pending before the agency, we cannot comment on its merits. However, we assure you that we are carefully and fully considering the pending petition, along with the responses filed by CN, the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, and several other interested parties.

Lucille Marvin, Director of the Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance, will continue to keep your staff apprised of developments in this matter. Thank you again for your interest, and please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Marvin at 202-245-0238 should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Daniel R. Elliott, III  
 Chairman

Ann D. Begeman  
 Vice Chairman

Deb Miller  
 Board Member