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Mr. Matthew T. Wallen
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Office of Public Assistance, Governmental
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Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
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Dear Director Wallen:

Please find enclosed the status report for the month of January 2010 on operational matters related to CN's acquisition of the major portion of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company (EJ&E), as required in the Board's final decision served December 24, 2008 approving this transaction.

The enclosed report provides information on the following operational matters:

- *Interchanges*: the report lists the number of cars interchanged at each interchange location on the EJ&E for January 2010 (with separate sheets showing cars delivered, cars received, and total cars interchanged), and includes a comparison of January 2009 and January 2010 interchange numbers at each location. Please note that increases in CSX interchange activity at Kirk Yard are due, in part, to the shift to that interchange location from Curtis Yard with EJ&E and from Chicago interchange locations with CN, both beginning in December 2009.
- *Railroad at-grade crossings*: the report identifies delays at railroad interlockings along the EJ&E line that occurred during January 2010.

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- *Accidents and injuries:* the report provides the date and descriptive information about each FRA-reportable accident and injury that occurred on the EJ&E line or on CN lines within the EJ&E arc during January 2010.
- *Street crossing blockages:* the report provides data concerning each instance during January 2010 where a crossing was blocked by a stopped train for 10 minutes or more.
- *Train volumes:* the report provides train counts for operations over segments of EJ&E's principal lines and on CN lines through Chicago during January 2010.

Please also note the following updates regarding our operations and related activities on the EJ&E.

- During January, we did not add any trains onto the EJ&E or reroute any trains off of the EJ&E.
- On January 25, CN Special Agent Eric Graf conducted two Grade Crossing Collision Investigation training classes to 30 police officers and one Fire Chief employed by seven different agencies within Will County, IL. This initiative continues our ongoing relationship-building with law enforcement and emergency response agencies in communities along the EJ&E line.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you or your colleagues have any questions on this report or need additional information on CN's Chicago-area operations.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

Accidents and Incidents

**Accidents on CN tracks inside of the EJ&E “Arc” and on EJ&E Tracks
January 2010 data for February 2010 report**

<u>Event Date</u>	<u>Subdivision</u>	<u>Description</u>
<u>CN</u>		
None		
<u>EJ&E</u>		
None		

**Injuries on CN tracks inside of the EJ&E “Arc” and on EJ&E Tracks
January 2010 data for February 2010 report**

<u>Event Date</u>	<u>Subdivision</u>	<u>Description</u>
<u>CN</u>		
None		
<u>EJ&E</u>		
None		

Street Crossing Blockages

**Crossing Blockages of Ten or More Minutes Caused by Stopped Trains
(January 2010)**

Number	Date (MMDDYYYY)	Train ID	Community	Crossing	Delay (min)	Approx Time	Comments
1	1/05/2010	M34791-05	Gary	West 9th Avenue West 15th Avenue	81	0639	Transportation: Train (113 cars, 6740 feet) stopped after a car derailed. The crew and trainmaster inspected the entire train, determined the unaffected cars were safe to move, and then proceeded. Corrective Action: Post-incident inspection observed locations where the rail was damaged or broken requiring repair. Track was repaired.
2	1/07/2010	C74091-07	Joliet	North Rowell Avenue	20	1903	Transportation/Weather: Train (117 cars, 6700 feet) departing Joliet Yard stalled on the crossing due to a slipped wheel related to adverse weather conditions (temperatures below 20 degrees with heavy snow accumulation). Corrective Action: One of Joliet Yard's yard locomotives was sent to shove the train clear of the crossing.
3	1/11/2010	L50991-11	Plainfield	Naperville Road	28	1808	Transportation/Safety: Train (36 cars, 2382 feet) stopped after it struck a vehicle that went around a crossing protection at Route 126/Naperville Rd. The incident caused no injuries (the driver abandoned the vehicle), no damage to the crossing, and only minor damage to the locomotive. The crew's allowable hours of service expired before the train could be moved past Naperville Road. After the police finished their investigation, another crew was called to move the train into Joliet Yard. Corrective Action: CN continues through its safety outreach to teach motorists about the danger of driving around crossing protections.
4	1/14/2010	L51491-14	Griffith	Main Street Broad Street	14	1253	Transportation: The train (44 cars, 2692 feet) stopped on the crossings to line a switch by hand. The switch would not set properly, requiring the conductor walked to the rear of the train to watch for motorists or obstructions while the train was shoved out of the way of mainline traffic and away from the crossing. Corrective Action: Maintenance crew responded, adjusted the bracket pressure and rail braces for the switch to ensure that the switch was operating normally.
5	1/24/2010	U74891-23	Joliet	North Rowell Avenue	30	0140	Transportation: The train (140 cars, 6522 feet) stalled due to insufficient horsepower, blocking North Rowell Avenue. Corrective Action: Another train came from Joliet Yard to shove train over the hill. Operations staff were notified of insufficient power and will monitor locomotive assignments to ensure trains are adequately powered coming out of Joliet Yard.

Train Volumes

AVERAGE DAILY TRAIN COUNTS ON CN & EJ&E SEGMENTS FOR January 2010

Rail Line Segment Description				Freight - Trains/Day		
Road	Segment Number	From Station	To Station	Base	January	Dif
BRC	1	Rockwell St	Hayford	2.2	2.2	0.0
BRC	2	Hayford	Clearing East	5.6	6.6	0.9
BRC	3	Clearing East	55th St	5.6	0.1	-5.6
BRC	4	55th St	Lemoine	10.1	8.9	-1.2
BRC	5	Lemoine	Hawthorne Crossing	10.1	9.0	-1.1
BRC	6	Hawthorne Crossing	Cicero	8.1	7.5	-0.7
BRC	7	Cicero	14th St	7.1	6.2	-1.0
BRC	8	14th St	Cragin	3.6	5.3	1.7
BRC	9	Clearing West	55th St	4.5	9.0	4.5
CN	1	Matteson	Markham	12.6	5.8	-6.8
CN	1.1	Matteson	University Park	12.6	10.5	-2.1
CN	2	Markham	Harvey	21.1	15.6	-5.4
CN	3	Harvey	Riverdale	8.4	7.6	-0.8
CN	4	Riverdale	Wildwood	8.4	7.5	-0.9
CN	5	Wildwood	Kensington	8.4	7.5	-0.9
CN	6	Kensington	94th St	8.4	7.5	-0.9
CN	7	94thSt	67th St	6.4	7.5	1.1
CN	8	67th St	16th St	6.4	7.5	1.1
CN	9	16thSt	Bridgeport	4.6	8.5	3.9
CN	10	Bridgeport	Belt Crossing	2.5	4.8	2.3
CN	11	Belt Crossing	Hawthorne	4.5	7.7	3.2
CN	12	Hawthorne	Broadview	4.4	6.1	1.7
CN	13	Broadview	Munger	3.0	4.1	1.1
CN	14	Bridgeport	Lemoine	2.1	4.6	2.5
CN	15	Lemoine	Glenn Yard	2.1	4.4	2.3
CN	16	Glenn Yard	Argo	5.8	5.6	-0.1
CN	17	Argo	Lemont	1.8	3.5	1.7
CN	18	Lemont	Joliet	1.8	1.6	-0.1
CN	19	Madison St	Forest Park	3.5	0.8	-2.6
CN	20	Forest Park	B12	3.5	0.8	-2.7
CN	21	B12	Schiller Park	19.3	9.7	-9.6
CN	22	Schiller Park	Leithton	19.1	9.6	-9.4
CN	23	Griffith	Thornton Jct	22.1	10.4	-11.7
CN	24	Thornton Jct	CN Jct	19.5	9.5	-10.0
CN	25	CN Jct	Blue Island	14.9	5.3	-9.6
CN	26	Blue Island	Hayford	3.4	3.3	-0.1
CN	27	Hayford	Elsdon	0.0	0.0	0.0
CN	28	Elsdon	Railport	0.0	0.0	0.0
CPRS	1	Cragin	B12	3.6	0.8	-2.8
CSXT	1	46th St	Madison St	3.3	0.8	-2.5
IHB	1	Dolton	Gibson	1.6	1.3	-0.3
IHB	2	Blue Island	Ridge	9.6	1.3	-8.3
IHB	3	Ridge	CP Canal	9.6	2.3	-7.3
IHB	4	CP Canal	Broadview	10.2	4.4	-5.8
IHB	5	Broadview	CP Hill	11.6	3.4	-8.2
IHB	6	CP Hill	Norpaul	12.1	3.5	-8.6
IHB	7	Norpaul	B12	12.1	0.9	-11.2
UP	1	Thornton Jct	Yard Center	2.6	0.8	-1.8
UP	2	Yard Center	Dolton	1.6	5.3	3.7
EJE	15	Rondout	Leithton	3.2	0.6	-2.6
EJE	14	Leithton	Spaulding	5.3	7.5	2.2
EJE	13	Spaulding	Munger	5.5	7.0	1.5
EJE	12	Munger	West Chicago	4.4	6.0	1.6
EJE	11	West Chicago	East Siding	10.7	11.4	0.7
EJE	10	East Siding	Walker	15.7	12.4	-3.3
EJE	9	Walker	Bridge Junction	18.5	14.7	-3.8

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EJE	7	Rock Island Jct	Matteson	6.4	8.6	2.2
EJE	6	Matteson	Chicago Hts	8.6	10.3	1.6
EJE	5	Chicago Hts	Griffith	10.2	10.3	0.0
EJE	4	Griffith	Van Loon	7.6	7.7	0.0
EJE	3	Van Loon	Ivanhoe	9.7	8.8	-0.9
EJE	2	Ivanhoe	Cavanaugh	9.8	8.8	-0.9
EJE	1	Cavanaugh	Gary	11.8	11.7	0.0
EJE	0	Gary	Indiana Harbor	3.5	0.0	-3.5
EJE	-1	Indiana Harbor	Hammond	1.8	2.0	0.2
EJE	-2	Hammond	South Chicago	0.9	0.1	-0.8