



Karen Borlaug Phillips
Vice President
Public and Government Affairs

601 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Suite 500, North Building
Washington, DC 20004
T 202-347-7816
F 202-347-8237

karen.phillips@cn.ca

April 12, 2010

Mr. Matthew T. Wallen
Director
Office of Public Assistance, Governmental
Affairs & Compliance
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

Dear Director Wallen:

Please find enclosed the status report for the month of March 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 March 2010 (with separate sheets showing cars delivered, cars received, and total cars interchanged), and includes a comparison of March 2009 and March 2010 interchange numbers at each location.
- ***Railroad at-grade crossings:*** the report identifies delays at railroad interlockings along the EJ&E line that occurred during March 2010.
- ***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 March 2010.

Mr. Matthew T. Wallen
April 12, 2010
Page Two

- *Street crossing blockages:* the report provides data concerning each instance during March 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 March 2010.

Please also note that during March, we added one train onto the EJ&E (from Matteson to Leighton) and removed two others (from Matteson to Leighton (with different origins and destinations than the train added) and from Matteson to Griffith), for a net reduction of one train currently operating on the EJ&E.

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,



Karen Borlaug Phillips
Vice President – Public and
Government Affairs

Enclosure

ATTACHMENT 3

Accidents and Injuries

**Accidents on CN tracks inside of the EJ&E "Arc" and on EJ&E Tracks
March 2010 data for April 2010 report**

| <u>Event Date</u> | <u>Subdivision</u> | <u>Description</u> |
|-------------------|--------------------|---|
| <u>CN</u> | | |
| 03/05/2010 | Joliet | Train was pulling 53 cars when it unexpectedly stopped and wouldn't move any further. Conductor inspected the train and determined that a section of the rail had rolled, resulting in the derailment of 13 cars. |
| 03/30/2010 | Chicago | Train was shoving railcars south into our yard. The conductor was riding the lead car. A semi truck did not stop at a crossing, pulled into the path of the train, and was struck. The conductor jumped off the train before impact, injuring his left knee. The truck driver complained of lower back pain. Two railroad cars derailed. The truck driver was issued a citation by Harvey Police. |
| <u>EJ&E</u> | | |
| NONE | | |

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

| <u>Event Date</u> | <u>Subdivision</u> | <u>Description</u> |
|------------------------|--------------------|---|
| <u>CN</u> | | |
| 03/18/2010 | Woodcrest Shop | Employee was operating a forklift in a storeroom for company material when it struck a support rack, resulting in injuries to his hip and buttocks. |
| 03/30/2010 | Chicago | Employee jumped from a moving railcar prior to it striking a truck on a crossing, injuring knee. |
| 03/30/2010 | Chicago | Truck driver drove truck into the path of a train where it was struck. Truck driver complained of low back pain. |
| <u>EJ&E</u> | | |
| 03/12/2010 | Leithton | Employee was exiting a company building to conduct a “roll-by inspection” (<i>i.e.</i> , observing the entire train as it moves past). As he stepped out of the building, his foot slipped and he fell, striking and injuring his knee on the metal grate platform by the doorway. |

ATTACHMENT 4

Street Crossing Blockages

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

| Number | Date (MM/DD/YYYY) | Train ID | Community | Crossing | Delay (min) | Approx Time | Comments |
|--------|----------------------|-----------|--------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| 1 | 3/2/2010 | M39081-01 | Griffith | Broad St | 10 | 1344 | Transportation: Train (116 cars, 10015 feet) stopped while switching cars outside of Griffith yard due to unusual congestion in the yard. Corrective Action: CN is reviewing the cause of the yard congestion and, if necessary, will moderate future operations by limiting the amount of traffic coming into the yard until it is fluid. |
| 2 | 3/6/2010 | M34371-05 | Joliet | Woodruff Rd | 15 | 2250 | Mechanical: Train (134 cars, 8274 feet) stopped to build air pressure after switching cars at Joliet. |
| 3 | 3/10/2010 | X34791-09 | East Joliet | W. Washington St | 26 | 217 | Transportation: Train (184 cars, 10879 feet) stopped just south of Woodruff Road, which left the rear of the train blocking Washington Street. Corrective Action: CN is updating distance data between crossings in order to keep crews advised and prevent a recurrence. |
| 4 | 3/10/2010 | M34371-09 | Joliet | Woodruff Rd | 68 | 1839 | Emergency: Train (91 cars, 6447 feet) was halted by request of the Joliet Police Department due to police activity on the tracks near Woodruff Road. The CN crew was advised by the Joliet PD that it was not necessary to cut the train. |
| 5 | 3/13/2010 | M39891-13 | Schererville | Kennedy Ave | 109 | 1544 | Transportation: Train (109 cars, 7152 feet) cleared the crossing and began to perform scheduled switching; the crossing gates malfunctioned and remained down with no train present. CN notified maintenance personnel. Local police and CN trainmaster directed traffic at the crossing until the crossing equipment could be restored to normal condition. Corrective Action: CN had a member of local management on site to work with the authorities while CN personnel resolved the issue. |
| 6 | 3/22/2010 | T923-22 | Gary | Clark Rd | 29 | 1647 | Mechanical/CSXT: CSXT train (103 cars, 6490 feet) stopped on CN tracks due to mechanical problem. |

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

| | | | | | | | |
|----|-----------|-----------|-----------------|---|----------|--------------|---|
| 7 | 3/24/2010 | M34241-22 | Chicago Heights | East End Ave, Chicago Ave, Halsted St, and Euclid Ave. | 46 | 841 | Operation: Train (177 cars, 10900 feet) crew reached its allowable hours of service limits while at Western Avenue. Train had to wait for a new crew to arrive at the location to move the train forward. Corrective Action: CN dispatchers will review their work plans to analyze each crew's hours of service limitations and make adjustments going forward. |
| 8 | 3/25/2010 | C70481-25 | Lake Zurich | Cuba Rd | 11 | 2144 | Transportation: Train (120 cars, 6480 feet) was stopped waiting for Metra 659, which was 25 minutes late arriving to clear Barrington interlocking. Corrective Action: Issue was reported to Metra and feedback regarding their tardiness is forthcoming. |
| 9 | 3/29/2010 | T74691-29 | Crest Hill | Oakland Ave | 26 | 546 | Mechanical: Train (187 cars, 10583 feet) stopped unexpectedly due to a mechanical problem on the leading locomotive. Crew cut the train to clear the crossing while CN repair personnel responded. Corrective Action: CN had a member of local management on-site to work with the authorities while the mechanical issues were resolved. |
| 10 | 3/29/2010 | M33891-29 | Plainfield | 95th St 111th St | 74 47 | 1308 1328 | Transportation: Trains (123 cars, 7934 feet & 133 cars, 8377 feet) were dispatched to meet and pass at an existing siding location. Due to CN dispatcher error, neither could fit past the other, and the crossings remained activated until the trains could be moved. Corrective Action: CN has scheduled an internal review of practices with the responsible dispatcher to avoid a repeat. |

ATTACHMENT 5

CN Train Counts on CN and EJ&E Line Segments

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

| Rail Line Segment Description | | | | Freight - Trains/Day | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------|-------|
| Road | Segment Number | From Station | To Station | Base | March | Dif |
| BRC | 1 | Rockwell St | Hayford | 2.2 | 2.7 | 0.5 |
| BRC | 2 | Hayford | Clearing East | 5.6 | 6.4 | 0.7 |
| BRC | 3 | Clearing East | 55th St | 5.6 | 0.7 | -4.9 |
| BRC | 4 | 55th St | Lemoyne | 10.1 | 9.4 | -0.7 |
| BRC | 5 | Lemoyne | Hawthorne Crossing | 10.1 | 9.4 | -0.7 |
| BRC | 6 | Hawthorne Crossing | Cicero | 8.1 | 9.8 | 1.6 |
| BRC | 7 | Cicero | 14th St | 7.1 | 8.1 | 1.0 |
| BRC | 8 | 14th St | Cragin | 3.6 | 7.3 | 3.7 |
| BRC | 9 | Clearing West | 55th St | 4.5 | 8.7 | 4.3 |
| CN | 1 | Matteson | Markham | 12.6 | 5.7 | -6.9 |
| CN | 1.1 | Matteson | University Park | 12.6 | 10.7 | -1.9 |
| CN | 2 | Markham | Harvey | 21.1 | 16.9 | -4.2 |
| CN | 3 | Harvey | Riverdale | 8.4 | 7.5 | -0.9 |
| CN | 4 | Riverdale | Wildwood | 8.4 | 7.4 | -1.0 |
| CN | 5 | Wildwood | Kensington | 8.4 | 7.3 | -1.1 |
| CN | 6 | Kensington | 94th St | 8.4 | 7.2 | -1.2 |
| CN | 7 | 94th St | 67th St | 6.4 | 7.3 | 0.9 |
| CN | 8 | 67th St | 16th St | 6.4 | 7.2 | 0.8 |
| CN | 9 | 16th St | Bridgeport | 4.6 | 8.1 | 3.6 |
| CN | 10 | Bridgeport | Belt Crossing | 2.5 | 3.3 | 0.8 |
| CN | 11 | Belt Crossing | Hawthorne | 4.5 | 4.8 | 0.3 |
| CN | 12 | Hawthorne | Broadview | 4.4 | 4.0 | -0.4 |
| CN | 13 | Broadview | Munger | 3.0 | 4.0 | 1.0 |
| CN | 14 | Bridgeport | Lemoyne | 2.1 | 5.2 | 3.1 |
| CN | 15 | Lemoyne | Glenn Yard | 2.1 | 4.7 | 2.7 |
| CN | 16 | Glenn Yard | Argo | 5.8 | 5.4 | -0.4 |
| CN | 17 | Argo | Lemont | 1.8 | 3.0 | 1.2 |
| CN | 18 | Lemont | Joliet | 1.8 | 2.0 | 0.2 |
| 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 | 11.0 | -8.2 |
| CN | 22 | Schiller Park | Leithton | 19.1 | 17.9 | -1.2 |
| CN | 23 | Griffith | Thornton Jct | 22.1 | 11.3 | -10.8 |
| CN | 24 | Thornton Jct | CN Jct | 19.5 | 9.9 | -9.6 |
| CN | 25 | CN Jct | Blue Island | 14.9 | 6.0 | -8.9 |
| CN | 26 | Blue Island | Hayford | 3.4 | 3.4 | 0.0 |
| 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 | 1.1 | -2.2 |
| IHB | 1 | Dolton | Gibson | 1.6 | 1.6 | 0.0 |
| IHB | 2 | Blue Island | Ridge | 9.6 | 1.6 | -8.0 |
| IHB | 3 | Ridge | CP Canal | 9.6 | 2.9 | -6.8 |
| IHB | 4 | CP Canal | Broadview | 10.2 | 3.6 | -6.6 |
| IHB | 5 | Broadview | CP Hill | 11.6 | 3.6 | -8.0 |
| IHB | 6 | CP Hill | Norpaul | 12.1 | 2.9 | -9.2 |
| IHB | 7 | Norpaul | B12 | 12.1 | 1.2 | -10.9 |
| UP | 1 | Thornton Jct | Yard Center | 2.6 | 1.1 | -1.5 |
| UP | 2 | Yard Center | Dolton | 1.6 | 7.3 | 5.7 |
| EJE | 15 | Rondout | Leithton | 3.2 | 1.2 | -2.0 |
| EJE | 14 | Leithton | Spaulding | 5.3 | 8.6 | 3.3 |
| EJE | 13 | Spaulding | Munger | 5.5 | 9.3 | 3.8 |
| EJE | 12 | Munger | West Chicago | 4.4 | 9.0 | 4.6 |
| EJE | 11 | West Chicago | East Siding | 10.7 | 13.0 | 2.4 |
| EJE | 10 | East Siding | Walker | 15.7 | 16.7 | 1.0 |
| EJE | 9 | Walker | Bridge Junction | 18.5 | 21.4 | 2.9 |

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

| Rail Line Segment Description | | | | Freight - Trains/Day | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------|------|
| Road | Segment Number | From Station | To Station | Base | March | Dif |
| EJE | 8 | Bridge Junction | Rock Island Jct | 18.5 | 27.0 | 8.5 |
| EJE | 7 | Rock Island Jct | Matteson | 6.4 | 13.3 | 6.9 |
| EJE | 6 | Matteson | Chicago Hts | 8.6 | 15.8 | 7.2 |
| EJE | 5 | Chicago Hts | Griffith | 10.2 | 14.4 | 4.2 |
| EJE | 4 | Griffith | Van Loon | 7.6 | 13.2 | 5.6 |
| EJE | 3 | Van Loon | Ivanhoe | 9.7 | 15.8 | 6.1 |
| EJE | 2 | Ivanhoe | Cavanaugh | 9.8 | 15.9 | 6.1 |
| EJE | 1 | Cavanaugh | Gary | 11.8 | 23.6 | 11.9 |
| EJE | 0 | Gary | Indiana Harbor | 3.5 | 0.0 | -3.5 |
| EJE | -1 | Indiana Harbor | Hammond | 1.8 | 5.1 | 3.3 |
| EJE | -2 | Hammond | South Chicago | 0.9 | 4.0 | 3.1 |