



Environmental Impact Statement

Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Canadian National Railway Company Acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company

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The purchase of the E. J. & E. by Canadian National is critical to the entire Chicago area, but especially South Holland. We in South Holland are in the unique situation of having one of the busiest interlockers in the country. We have a spot where the Canadian National coming from the east and the Union Pacific coming from the south, meet and cross. These trains are feeding into the South Holland Union yard and from there Chicago or out west. This cause many trains each day to come through our community. Because of this interlocker, trains must wait to get clearance to go into the yard or head west. I can sit in our town behind tracks for hours at a time, sometimes even more than a day. Residents are continuously complaining. I can also block off a portion of our town from emergency service, which then must be supplied by nearby communities. As the former Village Administrator for 14 years, I had many dealings with the railroads. His plan presented by Canadian National to purchase the E. J. & E. was told for us many years ago. It MUST proceed for the good of our community and the entire Chicago area.

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