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To Whom It May Concern:

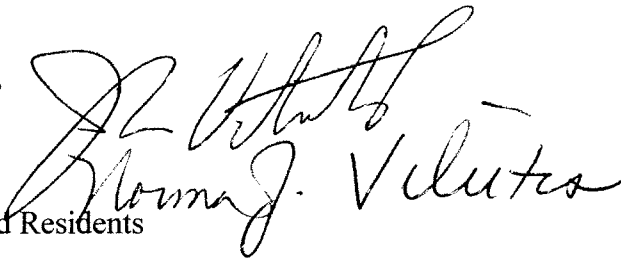
This letter is regarding Docket No. 35087, Section on Environmental Analysis relative to the proposed purchase by Canada. We are extremely concerned about the proposal to utilize the railroad tracks passing through the southern boundary of the Prestwick subdivision of Frankfort, Illinois, for the passage of 28 trains every 24 hours.

We live approximately two blocks from the railroad tracks which cross a very busy avenue (Harlem Avenue). If the purchase is secured, the increase in train traffic would be cause for alarm. The increase in railroad use would result in a significant increase in whistle blowing and engine noise. Also, it goes without saying, that traffic flow will be affected. This is our biggest concern. Some of the subdivisions along Harlem Avenue only have that one way to exit the subdivision. Frankfort school districts may be affected because of the numerous school buses traveling on Harlem Avenue. How would emergency services be affected?

We urge you to reconsider this plan for the acquisition of the railroad. If the purchase of the railroad goes through, then we encourage those in charge to address these serious concerns by imposing the maximum train traffic rules, whistle blowing standards and maximum penalties to the railroad when traffic flow is impeded beyond measurable tolerances. We are sure the environmental impact study will shed some further concerns relative to this issues.

Sincerely,

Concerned Residents



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