



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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Selling the ETOE trucks to CN will negatively impact Barrington. These are some of the reasons:

1. Ten thousand children attend schools in this area. School buses cross the ETV E tracks more than 840 times a day. Imagine the effect on schedules and the safety factors.

2. There are 4 train/traffic intersections in Barrington. Three of these are on major streets, with 20+ trains per day. Traffic will always be backed up.

3. There are several major hospitals in this area. The primary one is Good Shepherd. A ten-minute delay at a train crossing could result in a patient's death. Time is of importance in a medical emergency.

4. CN will have such an impact on life in Barrington, that they should bear total mitigation costs. We are too small a community to support the cost of mitigation. CN will have huge profits; They should pay!!!

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