



Environmental Impact Statement



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Scoping Comment for the Proposed Canadian National Railway Company Acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company

STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Comment Form

How Do I Submit Comments?

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- **Written Comments:** Complete and submit this form at the public open house scoping meeting, or follow the directions on the reverse side of this sheet to mail your comments.
- **Recorded Comments:** Provide your comments to a member of the project team or court reporter at this public open house scoping meeting, or call the toll-free project information line: 1-800-347-0689.
- **Electronic Comments:** Submit electronic comments by visiting the Surface Transportation Board's website, www.stb.dot.gov, under the heading "E-Filing."

Please refer to STB Finance Docket No. 35087 in all correspondence addressed to the Surface Transportation Board. Comments must be submitted by February 1, 2008.

AS A WAYNE RESIDENT WITH MANY FRIENDS LIVING IN BARTLETT, IL I AM CONCERNED ABOUT THE DISRUPTION TO OUR QUALITY OF LIFE WITH THE INCREASED TRAFFIC (4 TRAINS TO ALMOST 24 TRAINS PER DAY) THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION WILL PRODUCE. THE REDUCED QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES REGARDING SAFETY, ENVIRONMENTAL, LOSS PRODUCTIVITY, AND OTHER "LIFE" RELATED ISSUES. DURING THE 1/17/08 MEETING A CANADIAN RAILWAY SPOKESMAN SAID FEDERAL GUIDELINES LIMIT THE AMOUNT OF TIME A TRAIN MAY BLOCK AN INTERSECTION FOR UP TO 30 MINUTES. WITH 24 TRAINS PER DAY AT 1/2 HOUR EACH THE AT GRADE INTERSECTION CAUSING AT BARTLETT, STEARNS, ARMY DRILL, AND SPIRIT ROAD COULD BE BLOCKED "LEGALLY" FOR 1/2 OF EACH DAY. THE RECENT LAWSUIT INVOLVING THE VILLAGE OF MUNDLEIN, IL TO ENFORCE A MAX. 10 MINUTE CAUSING WAS OVERRULED BECAUSE OF THE FEDERAL LAW. WITH THESE AT GRADE CAUSINGS BLOCKED THE RESIDENTS OF WESTERN BARTLETT WILL BE SEVERELY HANDICAPPED WITH LATE FIRE EMERGENCY RESPONSE VEHICLES AS WITH THE EASTERN RESIDENTS OF WAYNE. THE PROPOSED "RAIL-TO-RAIL" CONNECTION WILL SEVERELY IMPACT THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE PRATT WYCKE WOODS FOREST PRESERVE. THE PROPOSED RAIL-TO-RAIL CONNECTION WILL AFFECT THE PROPOSED STAR CORRIDOR.

What scoping meeting did you attend? (Please circle): Mundelein, Barrington, Joliet, Matteson, Gary, West Chicago, Chicago.

Date Rcvd: _____

HDR File No: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Date: _____

YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

Comments provided by the public help determine the scope of the environmental review.

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