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**Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed
Canadian National Railway Company Acquisition of the
Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company
STB Finance Docket No. 35087**

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Transcript:

My comments are that in my area there will be 20 grade-level crossings that will be affected by the acquisition of the EJ&E by CN Railroad. The impact on traffic in this growing suburban area of Will County, which is one of the fastest growing counties in the United States, will be definitely negatively impacted. School busses, people going to work, emergency vehicles will all be delayed. Possible loss of life by virtue of the emergency vehicles being delayed is a significant consideration. Also, the transportation of hazardous waste materials by this railroad in the event of a derailment and the fact that they only want to put \$40 million in mitigation fees up front once they acquire the railroad, is a mere pittance for what has to be done if it is acquired to improve the crossings by virtue of overpasses or underpasses. I stongly oppose this acquisition and I hope my voice will be heard and that this will not just be a rubber stamp. Thank you very much for your time. Have a nice day.