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Environmental Impact Statement

Comment Form

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

Date: 8/28/08

Comments must be submitted by September 30, 2008.

The current CN rail lines have traversed those communities, which the EIS states will have a decrease in negative impacts, for many, many years. Therefore, the people who live in those communities chose to live there knowing full well the impacts the rail lines impose. The people in our communities along EJ&E, which will be negatively impacted if this proposal is not denied, chose to live here because of all the positive impacts our communities have worked so hard to achieve.

Please remember that the STB is a governmental agency. The role of our government is to protect its people and the wonderful resources this country has to offer.

If STB approves this proposal, they are not protecting our people and resources! They are just disguising the negative impacts by making such statements like "those negative impacts in the current CN rail line areas will be decreased more so than the negative impacts expected to increase along EJ&E communities."

This entire proposal is money driven by a Foreign Country known to be lax on safety & concern for the people & communities they affect. I would hope the STB would use a conscientious approach when determining the final outcome. The increased profitability of CNR can never be as great a benefit to our region when compared to all the negative impacts our region would endure if STB approves this proposal.

YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

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The role of our government to protect the safety & health of its people & the resources it oversees there there can only be one outcome, to deny this