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Environmental Impact Statement

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.

RE: STB FINANCE DOCKET NO 35087

THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT. WE HAVE SEVERAL CONCERNS ABOUT THE SALE AND STRONGLY FEEL IT SHOULD NOT BE APPROVED. OUR INITIAL CONCERN IS THE COMPACT GEOGRAPHY OF OUR COMMUNITY WHICH COULD ALLOW ONE FREIGHT TRAIN TO BLOCK UP TO THREE MAJOR ROADWAYS AT ONE TIME CAUSING CHAOS AND GRID LOCK. ANOTHER CONCERN IS THE PROXIMITY OF THE TRAIN TRACKS TO SCHOOLS WITH HUNDREDS OF CHILDREN COMING & GOING AND THE LARGE NUMBER OF SCHOOL BUSES THAT WOULD BE IMPACTED. YET ANOTHER CONCERN IS THE MATTER OF HAZMAT CARRIED ON THE TRAIN THROUGH A METROPOLITAN AREA. A MAJOR SPILL OR LEAK INVOLVING A LENGTHY TRAIN COULD BE A DISASTER BECAUSE BY ITS CLOSING THE MAIN STREETS EMERGENCY VEHICLES WOULD BE UNABLE TO RESPOND IN A TIMELY MANNER. FINALLY WE HAVE A HEART PATIENT IN OUR FAMILY WHO COULD NEED AN AMBULANCE TO TAKE HER TO A HOSPITAL. A DELAY AT A CROSSING COULD MAKE A SERIOUS PROBLEM IN GETTING TO OUR HOME AND GETTING TO THE HOSPITAL.

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

Date Rec'd: _____

HDR File No: _____

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YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

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

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