



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.

I have lived in Barrington for 10 years, the existing rail tracks currently spoil the downtown area and create major traffic congestion and delays, discouraging visitors and shoppers alike. I would have extreme concerns at any increased rail traffic.

Though this would be of significant financial benefit to CN, it would be detrimental to the Barrington area in a financial, environmental and traffic safety implications. Specifically, the impact would involve;

- Increased noise and disturbance for residents, leading to negative impact on property values.
- Increased traffic congestion and delays, discouraging shoppers
- The above would contribute to the economic decline of the town.

The only solution which I might consider a win-win, would be for the tracks to be re-routed so as to avoid the downtown and residential areas altogether. This is likely to be prohibitively expensive and impractical, but could reduce the rail traffic through the town.

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

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YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

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