



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

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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.
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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.

Increasing the number of freight trains through the Barrington area would ^{not only} negatively impact the Village of Barrington but also ^{impact} many of the surrounding communities. There are many communities who rely on shopping, emergency services, and schools in the Village of Barrington. Some of these ^{communities} include Tower Lakes, North Barrington, Barrington Hills, Lake Barrington and South Barrington. Also, other communities such as Lake Zurich, Cary, and Crystal Lake need to pass through Barrington to commute to and from work. Adding the extra train traffic would ^{make traffic} congestion unpredictable and at many times unbearable. An additional concern would be that the train ~~would~~ would interfere with emergency services. The train tracks slices the entire emergency service response area in half. This would make getting to half of the emergency incidents ~~more~~ more difficult. For example Good Shepherd hospital is located off of Route 22 which is in Lake Barrington. There is no way for ~~one~~ ambulances to access the entire southern half

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of Barrington without having to wait for the train to pass.

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YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

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

This could be fatal to someone needing services immediately. Also, the trains pass closely to the high school and a couple of the elementary schools. This raises concerns over hazardous materials which may be transported and accidentally ~~to~~ spill.