

1 SCOPING MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED CANADIAN
2 NATIONAL RAILWAY COMPANY ACQUISITION OF THE ELGIN,
3 JOLIET AND EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY
4
5
6
7
8

9 STATEMENT OF:
10 JACKIE RANDOLPH
11 SEPTEMBER 10, 2008
12
13

14 INDIANA UNIVERSITY NORTHWEST
15 3400 BROADWAY
16 GARY, INDIANA
17
18

19 CHIMNIAK COURT REPORTING & VIDEO
20 Telephone: (312) 781-9111
21
22

23 REPORTED BY: Rachel F. Gard, CSR, RPR, 084-3324
24

ChimniakCourtReporting.com
312.781.9111

1 MR. RANDOLPH: My name is Jackie
Page 1

2 Randolph. I'm a retired engineer from the
3 EJ&E Railroad, and I live in the town of
4 Portage, Indiana.

5 My concern on the acquisition of
6 the EJ&E from the CN is they don't take
7 care of the hump, increasing the hump or
8 doing their increase on the hump
9 acquisition that the backlog on the trains
10 is going to stretch from Kirk Yard at
11 Griffith all the way through -- I mean,
12 Kirk Yard in Gary all the way to Griffith
13 and all the way to the Illinois line
14 approximately because there will be so much
15 traffic that they won't have room to put
16 the trains in.

17 Also, the train crews have a
18 12-hour federal law that they can't work
19 any more than 12 hours. And the trains
20 that's coming from Canada will be just
21 about 12 hours trying to get to Griffith or
22 to Kirk Yard, which means that most of the
23 trains will have to change crews somewhere
24 in Northwest Indiana, which is still going

ChimniakCourtReporting.com
312.781.9111

□

3

1 to cause some congestion waiting for them
2 to change crews.

3 So the main concern is the crew
4 changing for the 12-hour law for the

5 train's crews and also, if they get that
6 approval, if that hump is not constructed
7 first to take the increase in traffic,
8 there's going to be a backlog from Kirk
9 Yard all the way to the Illinois line.

10 Thank you.

11 (End of statement.)

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24