

1 SCOPING MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED CANADIAN
2 NATIONAL RAILWAY COMPANY ACQUISITION OF THE
3 ELGIN, JOLIET AND EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY
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8 STATEMENT OF:
9 BONNIE NURRE
10 AUGUST 27, 2008
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1 MS. NURRE: My name is Bonnie,
2 B-O-N-N-I-E, last name Nurre, N-U-R-R-E.
3 I don't know why a federal agency
4 would allow a private foreign company to destroy

5 local communities, quality of life, safety, and
6 economies while expecting those communities to
7 pick up the tab.

8 I have read that traditionally, or
9 historically, railroads have not paid for more
10 than five percent to ten percent of grade
11 separations because they feel that they primarily
12 benefit the community and not the railroad.

13 In this case this does not at all
14 benefit our community. It will destroy
15 Barrington.

16 As a true American, if this passes
17 I, as well as so many other people, will be
18 furious that you have taken a problem and just
19 brought it into our communities.

20 I also am a past appraiser. The
21 homes where the freight trains are right now in
22 the city, they were appraised realizing the
23 freight trains were running through their
24 facilities, whereas our rural community all of the

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1 homes that I have appraised and all of the homes
2 in this area were appraised with the belief that
3 only two to three trains would run through our
4 community as they've done historically. It's not
5 fair to dump this whole problem on us.

6 If nothing else, we need to split
7 the problem. Run trains through our community,
8 even though I'm opposed to it, and keep them where
9 they are right now.

10 There's no reason that we're stuck

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11 with this whole horrendous nightmare. And it is a
12 nightmare to me.

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