



Environmental Impact Statement



CN | EJ&E

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.
- **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.

DSC - Don't Shift Congestion. PBF - People Before Freight.

The CN proposal to run an additional 15 to 26 trains per day on the EJ&E track through the Barrington area appears dangerous.

North-South state road 59, East-West Lake-Cook Road, and Northwest-Southeast US route 14 are major roads through the Village of Barrington and each has an EJ&E track crossing. These 3 roads are busy with local traffic and also carry automobile and truck traffic from all 6 directions through Barrington. The EJ&E track also crosses Union Pacific Railroad-Metrolink tracks which handles several freight trains per day and commuter trains from 5:00 AM to 12:00 AM each day. 5 or 6 commuter trains operate during rush hours and 2 commuter trains operate during non-rush hours.

The EJ&E track crossings are in close proximity to 2 parks, the library, the High School, and the Police-Fire building. The potential 45 to 72 train crossings and traffic back-ups could seriously impede fire trucks, police cars, and ambulances. The 15 to 26 train increase should not be allowed. Perhaps

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.

one half the amount could be allowed with the other half remaining on the present track rates. A tunnel through (under) Barrington