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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

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 very strong opposition to the proposed acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway Co. by Canadian Railway Company for many reasons. Most importantly:

① The Barrington area simply CANNOT absorb the additional traffic congestion that these additional trains will add to the local roads. ALREADY, the downtown area and high traffic roads (Ela, Cuba, Lake Cook) are VERY backed up during morning & evening rush hour. It would mean absolute GRIDLOCK to add to these freight lines.

② The subsequent effect on the busing of students to area schools will be dire. The additional time needed for already-long routes will simply be unreasonable for students, both in the time spent on busses as well as the time these routes must start in the morning. Darkness will be a safety issue for MORE students. This will likely lead to more parental driving and increased traffic congestion.

③ The environmental impact of these additional trains through an area such as Bush Marsh is simply unacceptable. A community such as Barrington, with its long tradition of environmental protection.

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

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