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Environmental Impact Statement

Comment Form

Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the
Proposed Canadian National Railway Company
Acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway
Company

STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Date: 8-27-08

Comments must be submitted by September 30, 2008.

I attended the Barrington High School public forum with pre-conceived ideas of this acquisition. After listening to the various testimonies of public officials and concerned residents, I am even more convinced that this deal will poison the entire area and its quality of life. This is merely business - CN's business. There is absolutely no benefit to the citizens of this region, whether economically, environmentally or socially geared. This has extremely negative effects to housing value, commuting ease, safety, environmental risks noise, delivery of services etc... Approving this deal is nothing less than a breach of civil responsibility of the STB. You are being asked to approve the usage of a 100+ year old rail system taking heavy, long and hazardous rail traffic through a congested area who's already modest road system cannot handle the ever increasing road traffic. It might be understandable if there was some benefit to the area but there is none. The STB should be obligated to solving the transit problem, not exacerbating it. The only beneficiary is a foreign company who wants to move credit from one continent to another. The EJ&E is not the "Panama Canal".

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