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2 SCOPING MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED CANADIAN
3 NATIONAL RAILWAY COMPANY ACQUISITION OF THE
4 ELGIN, JOLIET AND EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY

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11 STATEMENT OF:
12 ROBERT PAOLELLA
13 AUGUST 27, 2008

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MR. PAOLELLA: My name is Robert
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2 Paolella. 24423 Hunters Lane, Deer Park
3 60010. I have a million questions.

4 Question No. 1, Since the
5 Canadian National Railroad has trackage
6 rights on EJ&E now, is there any
7 limitation on the number of trains they
8 can run today? If so, what is it?

9 Is there any limitation on the
10 length of the trains that they can run
11 today? If so, what is it?

12 Who has the right-of-way when
13 there is going to be an interference
14 between a freight train on the CN line or
15 the EJ&E line and the UP Metra line that
16 goes through Barrington?

17 Will the Metra train stop and
18 let the freights go through or will the
19 freights stop and let the Metra train go
20 through?

21 If the freights stop and if the
22 freights are two miles long, how long will
23 they be allowed to block the intersections?

24 If they aren't allowed to block

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1 the intersections, is there a plan to
2 install grade separations? If so, where
3 are those grade separations going to be?

4 Would they be on every
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5 intersection or grade or would they be just
6 in certain high traffic areas?

7 Is there a maximum number of
8 trains that the existing capacity will
9 allow today or is there plans for them to
10 double-track the existing right-of-way in
11 order to increase the number of trains? If
12 so, when do they plan to do that, the
13 double tracking?

14 I just want information.

15 My last question is: Right now,
16 most of these areas are quiet zones, in
17 other words, they don't blow the horns. If
18 they add trains, will that affect the
19 silent zones and no horn zones or will that
20 mean they're going to start blowing the
21 horns again?

22 And that's all I got for now.

23 (End of statement.)

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