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Dear Resident,

April 8, 2008

The Canadian National R.R. is seeking to purchase the EJ&E R.R. The proposed purchase will allow trains a bypass around the City of Chicago. This will reduce train congestion within Chicago but will put additional train traffic in the suburbs and Northwest Indiana. The Surface Transportation Board is the federal agency that has to approve this purchase.

Schererville will experience an increase in train traffic along the EJ&E, which is the east/west track that crosses US 30 in Lynwood, Lake St. and Hart St. in Dyer, 213th St. and Kennedy Ave. in Schererville and Broad St., Main St. and various east/west streets in Griffith. It is anticipated that these crossings will experience an increase from 10 to an estimated 34 trains per day, at speeds of up to 40 mph. There will also be an increase in hazardous materials transported on this line.

As a Schererville resident, you are asked to consider the above statements and if you agree that this proposed purchase will have a negative impact on our community, traffic, safety and our quality of life, please sign the attached petition and return it with your utility payment.

To sign, you must be 18 years of age. Petitions will also be available in the Clerk-Treasurer's office and Planning & Building office in Town Hall.

This petition drive will be held through the month of April and presented to the Surface Transportation Board in Washington D.C.

Sincerely,

Robert Volkmann, Town Manager

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I/WE ARE OPPOSED TO THE ACQUISITION OF THE EJ&E RAIL LINE BY CANADIAN NATIONAL

Signature

Printed Name

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I in all the articles/publications I have read, I've seen nothing addressing the condition of the railroad crossings.

* If the C.N.R. purchases E.g. & E- will they repair the crossings?

* If C.N.R. does not purchase E.g. & E, will anyone fix/repair the crossings?

If neither of the above happens, will the Town Manager, city council, government of Dyer, Schererville, Griffith and any other communities in this area do anything to address the condition(s) of the railroad crossings?

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