

Environmental Impact Statement

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

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WE WERE SHOCKED AND DISMAYED BY THE INFORMATION PRESENTED TO THE PUBLIC ON AUG 27 AT BARRINGTON HIGH SCHOOL BY THE STB. THIS INFORMATION WAS SO OBVIOUSLY BIASED AND ILL-CONCEIVED. THE LACK OF ATTENTION TO THE IMPACT ON MILLIONS OF CIVILIANS WAS STAGGERING! WE ARE ASHAMED OF THE OBVIOUS SELL-OUT OF OUR COMMUNITIES AROUND CHICAGO TO CORPORATE GAIN BY A GOVERNMENT AGENCY

Our property VALUE has dropped \$100,000.00 over the LAST 3 MONTHS AS A result of this topic. Our LAKE Co tax Assessment VALUED our property At \$670,000 IN the SPRING, AND when listing our home for sale IN August the market Assessment put us between \$539,000 AND \$569,000! THAT IS A huge loss of our 20 year investment IN our home! Our realtor tells us it is due to the train that borders the back of our property AND the threat this Acquisition by CN brings to our community.

Please go back AND re-evaluate your work. There are so many domino effects of this situation that have been overlooked. Our children's safety, our nation's safety AND our environment's safety should have had 1st Priority in this. What were you thinking?

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Please check the public meeting you attended:

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