

STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Date: 8/27/08

Comments must be submitted by September 30, 2008.

Please factor these important points into your decision:

Barrington currently has 3-4 1/2 mile freight trains on the E+J line. A two-mile stretch of track will block 3 major crossroads and effectively cut our town in half. CN plans 2 mile long trains.

The town was built with this ^{low} level of ^{train} traffic and does not have roads that can go around the train in the event of an emergency - fire/ ambulance. One "mitigation" won't solve problems at (3) crossings.

Traffic is already bad in this town — adding 20+ freight trains (at any time of day) will cause people to skirt in front of trains — this includes high school students — $\frac{1}{8}$ " of a mile from a crossing.

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will not start on time.

In the event of an accident with hazardous materials (planned) - our shallow water system may be destroyed.

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Please check the public meeting you attended:

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