



Environmental Impact Statement



Scoping Comment for the Proposed Canadian National Railway Company Acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Comment Form

How Do I Submit Comments?

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- **Written Comments:** Complete and submit this form at the public open house scoping meeting, or follow the directions on the reverse side of this sheet to mail your comments.
- **Recorded Comments:** Provide your comments to a member of the project team or court reporter at this public open house scoping meeting, or call the toll-free project information line: 1-800-347-0689.
- **Electronic Comments:** Submit electronic comments by visiting the Surface Transportation Board's website, www.stb.dot.gov, under the heading "E-Filing."

Please refer to STB Finance Docket No. 35087 in all correspondence addressed to the Surface Transportation Board.
Comments must be submitted by February 1, 2008.

In addition to the added noise and air pollution, safety concerns at grade crossings, and the effect on property values, the most serious problem will be greatly increased car traffic congestion in an area already severely congested situation. The E, J & E tracks cross cross Elm Road, Cuba Rd, Lake Zurich road, U.S. Rt 14, Rt 59, Main St (Lake Cook Rd) and Old R., all heavily travelled by anyone travelling east or south through the Barrington area, and also cross the Union Pacific commuter/freight line right in the middle of Barrington. Because the Union Pacific has the right of way for commuter trains, the freights on the E, J & E often have to slow or stop to allow Union Pacific trains to pass. This means that traffic on Rt 59, Lake Zurich Rd, Rt 14 and Cuba Rd are at times all blocked by the stopped or slowly moving trains. With just the present freight traffic on the E, J & E, automobile traffic is severely hindered - adding much to local congestion, the increased number of freight trains proposed by CN would bring car traffic to a virtual stand still. This is a matter which should be reviewed thoroughly with the Illinois DOT.

What scoping meeting did you attend? (Please circle): Mundelein, Barrington, Joliet, Matteson, Gary, West Chicago, Chicago.

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YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

Comments provided by the public help determine the scope of the environmental review.