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New Lenox, Illinois 60451
Friday, January 18, 2008

Surface Transportation Board
Attention Victoria J. Rutson, Chief
Section of Environmental Analysts
395 E St. S.W.
Washington, D. C., 20423-0001

Re: Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Chief Rutson:

I live one block from the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railroad tracks in a suburban subdivision of New Lenox, Illinois. The news that Canadian National Railway will obtain the right of way to those tracks and will increase traffic from six to nearly thirty trains a day is appalling. Please prohibit this expansion of rail traffic.

The length of the trains will also increase...blocking our only northern access to our subdivision. Thirty times a day and longer trains are horrendous projections. Hazardous materials being transported on those anticipated trains would increase by seven fold! This is not only dangerous to my neighbors and me but to all the teens in the area. Please prohibit this traffic.

There is a high school being built that will house over two thousand people on ordinary days and more on special occasions. The high school property is bordered by these railroad tracks. This amount of danger to me and the teen population of my area is outrageous. You have the ability to protect us all. Please do so immediately.

Sincerely Concerned,

Karen A. Malone

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