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Comments regarding the Proposed Canadian National Railway Acquisition of the Elgin, and Joliet and Eastern Railway Company STB Finance Docket Number. 35087.

I did attend the meeting with my Son in Barrington, Illinois regarding the E.J.&E Railway and Canadian National Railway situation.

My main objection to the N.R.C. acquisition of E.J.&E Railway is this "SAFETY"

Ambulances, fire trucks, and police cars need immediate access to all streets. If the freight train is traveling at 70 mph it is still an obstacle to "ie" an ambulance carrying a heart attack victim - time is of the essence - minutes can save lives!

And this ambulance is sitting at an E.J.&E Railway crossing waiting to get across. The same can be said for the fire trucks and police cars.

Barrington is already so congested with traffic in this area, and more and more people are moving up this way, the traffic is just terrible!

The town of Barrington is already rife with congestion! Passenger trains holding up traffic, and main roads already clogged with auto traffic bumper to bumper!

Why in the world do we need railroad traffic and more overcrowding??

We do Not need this! Please, No More Trains!

These are Big problems, and with these problems comes SAFETY concerns.



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