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# Comment Form

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

**STB Finance Docket No. 35087**

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Environmental Impact Statement

Date: 8-27-08

**Comments must be submitted by September 30, 2008.**

Barrington is 100 square miles incorporating (7) villages, and this acquisition would have an impact on all of them.

1. Safety - (5) crossings in the Barrington but also the increase in hazardous materials rolling through.
2. Traffic congestion would be impacted.
3. Devaluation of property value - in a brand new development that is not built-out yet.
4. Noise and vibration - now when the trains come down Rt. 59. Increase can cause structural damage.
5. Another "hammer" in this economic turn down.
6. School bus timing - Children will pay the price by getting up earlier, or late for school.
7. The Barrington have fought industry from coming in & maintain a peaceful environment.
8. The 2 AM train often stops and idles now and the noise wakes residents because of the noise factor.
9. The ST is a bias organization that has a mission to move freight and what is economically best for, for-profit companies and not the people. I would like ask each Board Member, if they would approve this acquisition if each lived within a mile of East Joliet this railroad! I really do not have faith they will listen & the people and their concerns and wants. They are merely going through the exercise.

**YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!**

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