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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

Date: Aug 27, 2008

Comments must be submitted by September 30, 2008.

Based on a typical blockage at a rail crossing for a freight train is 12 min. (based on my timing, multiple freights) This means 25 minutes an hour all three of Burrington arteries will be blocked, paralyzing the city. This means for almost half of each day our police, fire department and paramedics will not be able to service over half of our community. Not to even mention that one crossing is near a school that is a student ped. crossing. The students driving to their school, the youngest and least experience drivers will be blocked from reaching their high school in a timely manner. I do not want to remind you their judgement is not always the best but why should we add additional risk to their lives.

I appreciate that diverting rail around Chicago has benefits, but the adverse effect on Barrington without building bypasses, overpasses or underpasses is more than one community to bear. The safety and lives of our community is being ~~put~~ at risk. Elmhurst in the late 70's deemed that the lives of the people warranted a bypass & underpass. Canadian **PUT IS IMPORTANT!** National Railway should provide no less for

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