

1 SCOPING MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED CANADIAN
2 NATIONAL RAILWAY COMPANY ACQUISITION OF THE
3 ELGIN, JOLIET AND EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY
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9 STATEMENT OF:

10 PHIL MACFARLAND

11 JANUARY 15, 2008

12 HOLIDAY INN

13 500 HOLIDAY PLAZA DRIVE

14 Surface Transportation Board MATTESON, ILLINOIS

15 CN-EJ&E EIS - FD-35087

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4 Years ago, the J had a double main
5 from Joliet all the way to Gary and they took
6 that out because of decreasing traffic. I
7 envision that the Canadian National would
8 reintroduce that double main and traffic would
9 increase exponentially on that segment of rail.

10 This is in an area where, you know,
11 residential expansion has increased dramatically
12 from the days before when the J operated on that
13 track before they took it out.

14 I'm concerned that the traffic -- the
15 increase in traffic there would impinge the
16 residential movements and commercial movements
17 over some of these roads especially if they don't
18 build underpasses to alleviate that.

19 If they just go with, you know, cross
20 bucks and crossing gates, I see a problem
21 developing. And I hope that the Canadian
22 National is considering addressing that problem
23 along with the state because I know the state has
24 to participate in the cross buck installation.