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Message: I am opposed to the sale of the EJ&E railroad to CN. There are NO benefits to my family or me. In fact there are only burdens. An increase in the number of trains, all of which would be longer than the current lengths running on the line would severely impact the traffic in the suburbs through which the railroad line runs. I would be impacted directly in several ways. I would need to cross the RR several times a day getting to and from my work. I am responsible for picking my kids up from their school and this is already a tight schedule. The value of the real estate in the suburbs will decrease. Nobody wants to move into an area with heavy railroad traffic. My taxes are already too high and the extra traffic on the crossings will require improvements and maintenance to be done on these crossings. The taxpayers in the suburbs along the RR will carry the burden of paying for this sale forever. The number of deaths from the increase in rail traffic is unacceptable. The increase in the noise from the extra trains is also unacceptable. The wasted fuel in altering traffic patterns is unacceptable. The wasted fuel and emissions released into the atmosphere while waiting at the crossing is unacceptable. Any proposals or settlements by the CN railroad will never offset the burdens and dangers carried by the tax paying residents and commuters. I am opposed to this sale and think it should be blocked.