



Environmental Impact Statement

Scoping Comment for the Proposed Canadian National Railway Company Acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company STB Finance Docket No. 35087 Comment Form

How Do I Submit Comments?

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- **Written Comments:** Complete and submit this form at the public open house scoping meeting, or follow the directions on the reverse side of this sheet to mail your comments.
- **Recorded Comments:** Provide your comments to a member of the project team or court reporter at this public open house scoping meeting, or call the toll-free project information line: 1-800-347-0689.
- **Electronic Comments:** Submit electronic comments by visiting the Surface Transportation Board's website, www.stb.dot.gov, under the heading "E-Filing."

Please refer to STB Finance Docket No. 35087 in all correspondence addressed to the Surface Transportation Board. Comments must be submitted by February 1, 2008.

- (1) I live at the intersection of Highland Road and 21st Street in the unincorporated area outside of Village of Barrington. The Fire Department responsible for my area is on the east side of EJ & E; and my house is on the west side of the railroad in question. In light traffic, it would take 6 minutes for a fire truck to reach my house. A freight train running on EJ and E could conceivably slow fire truck response by an additional of say 2 to 5 minutes. A stalled train on EJ & E could spell disaster in case of fire in my neighborhood.
- (2) Hough Street is a traffic artery where Highway 59 runs through Barrington; the Union Pacific RR crossing has been an impediment for auto traffic. Possible increase in freight traffic on EJ and E which crosses the Barrington areas at three crossings would make a very bad traffic situation worse.
- (3) Cost of automobile fuel is forcing more people to ride on the commuter train. The automobile traffic is expected to increase rapidly reflecting more commuter train riders to Barrington train station from the surrounding communities. Increase in freight loads on EJ & E would impede commuters travelling to Union Pacific train Station in Barrington.

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What scoping meeting did you attend? (Please circle): Mundelein, Barrington, Joliet, Matteson, Gary, West Chicago, Chicago.

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YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

Comments provided by the public help determine the scope of the environmental review.