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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**

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Transcript:

I'm calling to comment on the sale of the EJ&E Railroad to the Canadian National Railway. Uh we are opposed to this and we would strongly encourage the legislators to vote against it and those who are on the Transportation Board to support, to not support uh CN's um buy of the EJ&E Railroad. In Plainfield, there is only one track above grade and all others are at-grade. To me personally, for my family this means that I'm unable to get to my home or out um to local hospitals or emergency care without being cut off by a train. On multiple occasions I've sat at tracks when freight trains are passing by for more than 20 minutes and after that train has cleared on the opposite side has been a police officer with his lights flashing, or an ambulance or fire engine with their lights going on their way to an emergency, they've been held up. There's been times where I've been unable to go to see my family because I am cut off by the trains and there is not a way for me to get around the trains without having to wait for them to pass. Railway traffic I'm not opposed to, especially when it comes to uh passenger trains, they pass very quickly, but large freight trains take much longer amount of time and an increase in traffic would have an adverse affect on our living and our community. I would strongly encourage the Transportation Board not to approve the sale of the EJ&E Railroad to the Canadian line. Thank you