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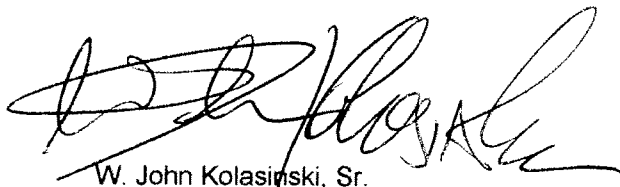
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Dear Ms. Rutson:

We are residents of Barrington, Illinois. My home, where my family and I have lived for over 17 years, is 3 blocks from the railroad tracks that run through Barrington. I recently heard that Canadian National Railway Company had proposed a project that would bring at least 15 more trains per day down those tracks. This announcement alarmed me greatly. I became even more concerned when I heard that this estimate did not account for large increases expected in train traffic throughout the Chicago area over the next 20 years. The drastic increase in noise, traffic, safety problems at rail crossings will affect my quality of life and the quality of the environment in my community. We cross the tracks 7 times a day or more; not to mention the train noises regularly during the day and throughout the night. With a proposed increase in train routes this would ruin the quality of life in Barrington forever. I have been informed that you are responsible for reviewing Canadian National Railway Company's proposal. I think that the effects I discussed above warrant serious consideration before you allow Canadian National to move forward. You hold the safety and well-being of not only my family, but that of an entire region in your hands. I trust that you and the rest of the Board will thoroughly review Canadian National's proposal for any and all effects on the environment and affected communities. Please do not approve this proposal until you are certain noise, air, safety will not suffer. Thank you.

Sincerely,



W. John Kolasinski, Sr.



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