

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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8 STATEMENT OF:
9 ROBERT GRIFFIN
10 AUGUST 27, 2008
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1 MR. GRIFFIN: My name is Robert B.
2 Griffin, G-R-I-F-F-I-N, and also my wife's name is
3 Olga Griffin.

4 We are Barrington residents. Our

5 feeling is that this merger, this purchase, would
6 be an unmitigated disaster for the Barrington
7 community primarily because of extreme gridlock it
8 will cause in Barrington.

9 when the train is coming through,
10 there are five major roads, and when the train
11 goes through you will be unable to go north or
12 south or east or west across the Village.
13 Therefore, ambulances, police calls, fire, school
14 buses, whatever, will not be able to cross town.
15 It will be completely standstill for who knows how
16 long.

17 Currently, we have to wait about
18 twenty or thirty minutes in the morning and
19 afternoon to get through major intersections.

20 But with the trains going through,
21 the freight trains, we might have to wait an hour
22 to go through our little village. And to us
23 that's absolutely ridiculous and unnecessary.

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