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Canadian National's ("CN") proposed purchase of the EJ+E Railroad should be DENIED.

This take over will not only import the already congested roads in our communities but put the ~~safe~~ lives of our children at risk. Risk of being hit by a train. Risk of not having emergency vehicles reach them in time. Risk to the air they breathe from the trains as well as from the cars lined up waiting to cross the tracks. Nothing - no amount of money - could ever justify the risk to our children. The impact to our welfare must be taken into account when analyzing this transaction. What difference does it make that these goods make it to their destination a few hours earlier when the expense to do so on HUMANS and our daily life is so extraordinary.

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