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Environmental Impact Statement

Comment Form

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

Date: Aug 25, 2008

Comments must be submitted by September 30, 2008.

I FEEL this Acquisition would HAVE A NEGATIVE EFFECT on this Region and all of the communities. I think that the financial benefits to the CN Railroad will far outweigh the benefits to these communities. The increase in pollution from blocked crossings, increase in travel times & lost productivity would not be acceptable to the public. So many of these communities have grade level crossings that are not going to be mitigated by CN - they are not going to spend the money that it will take to accomplish this and funding will not come from Government. I cannot see a benefit for the towns along the EJ&E Rights-of-way by increasing the number of trains passing thru them. The proposed potential increase of trains and their increased length would render some crossings blocked 65/75 percent of the time. The problems created by this for EMS/Police in these towns would only tax the citizens more than they already are. From my own personal outlook and where I live the increase to 28 trains a day at the end of line that turn North almost 90% - train speeds will be down to 20 mph - At 8000 feet long - you will NEVER get thru these crossings in Dyke - Schererville - Griffith & Highland. This Canadian company will not spend the money to help keep the quality of life we enjoy in this region what it is today.

YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

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