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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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6 STATEMENT OF:
7 LAURA SEIZOVIC
8 AUGUST 27, 2008
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MS. SEIZOVIC: My name is Laura
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2 Seizovic. I live in Barrington, Illinois,
3 and I want to share my thoughts about the
4 proposed CN purchase of the EJ&E rail line.
5 My main thought is that I'm amazed and
6 aghasted at the gaps in the DEIS, the Draft
7 Environmental Impact Statement. I think
8 it's unconscionable that this foreign
9 company is going to come in and purchase
10 the railway for their own economic benefit;
11 but the Surface Transportation Board not
12 having adequately delved into the very
13 adverse impact to our community, especially
14 the safety impact, the mitigation costs for
15 the seven grade crossings, all these
16 characteristics, all these impacts seem not
17 to have been adequately taken into account,
18 the cost of idling traffic in town, the
19 fact that the rails go right by the high
20 school and you'll have kids crossing back
21 and forth. Finally I'd like to say that
22 it's -- I don't think it's fair for the
23 taxpayers here to have to potentially foot
24 the bill for mitigating the impact. And

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