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Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Canadian National Railway Company Acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company

Date: 9/15/2008

I AM TOTALLY AGAINST INCREASED TRAIN TRAFFIC GOING THROUGH TOWN. I GREW UP IN CHICAGO AND WE (AS A FAMILY) LIKED TO SHOP IN HAMMOND, BUT THE TRAIN TRAFFIC GOING THROUGH BURNHAM WAS SO HEAVY WE WOULD SOMETIMES SPEN UP TO HALF AN HOUR SITTING IN OUR CARS WAITING FOR THE TRACKS TO CLEAR ON BURNHAM AVE. IT WAS SO BAD WE STARTED SHOPPING IN SOUTH CHICAGO WHICH WAS FARTHER AWAY BUT NO TRAINS. MANY PEOPLE STOPPED SHOPPING IN HAMMOND AND THE SHOPPING DISTRICT DIED AND IS STILL DEAD TODAY. WE HAVE NEW SHOPPING DISTRICTS GOING UP ALONG CALUMET AND INDIAN AVE'S, THE VERY SAME THING COULD HAPPEN HERE THAT HAPPENED IN HAMMOND. WE ALSO HAVE MANY CROSSINGS THAT DO NOT HAVE GATES AND TO INCREASE TRAFFIC THROUGH THESE AREAS IS JUST ASKING FOR AN INCREASE IN ACCIDENTS.

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