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Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington DC 20423
Attn: Phillis Johnson-Ball

RE: Environmental Filing
STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Ms Johnson-Ball:

I am writing to express my concern over the Canadian National buyout in the Chicagoland area.

My son and I live, work and go to school in Barrington, IL. We live a few blocks away from the train line that runs through the major part of town - crossing both Hwy 14 and Route 59. We cross these tracks a minimum of seven times a day. My son often walks or rides his bike to school and the local library, which again requires him to cross these tracks. Not only is the time of sitting and waiting while these trains snake through our town a major impact on our daily lives, the safety concerns are more concerning.

My neighbor had a large wall mirror come down in her bathroom due to the vibration of the train and the subsequent shaking of her house. She is very fortunate that she was not in the room at the time.

I am now learning that tax payers are going to be forced to foot the bill on the infrastructure that is going to be required to upgrade many of the crossings in these outlying suburbs.

I am highly opposed to this transaction. The impact on our day-to-day life would be so significant, I would consider moving from the area. This is a sad statement, all because a foreign company wants to buy this line - and I would end up paying for it in tax dollars and quality of life.

It is my sincere hope that you do not let this transaction take place.

Sincerely,

RaeAnn Derrick
Vice President Operations
GK Development, Inc.

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