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The talk is about flip flopping, this is just what U.S. Rep. Pete Visclosky, D-Ind. does to gain votes for himself. He pushes down the throats of the public for the South Shore Extension to Valpariso and Lowell costing tax payers one billion dollars with no public meetings for the comments. Now he is against the CN buying the EJ&E tracks at no cost to the public and also wants time for public comments about it. He now states "Local Rights vs. railroads. That was never mention when this South Shore extension was enacted. He Talks about this way and that way it is called flip flopping just to get public to vote for him since another person is running for the same office. He mentioned that getting the south shore extension in would save on gas and pollution. I live in Chesterton where we have 84 trains and they are hauling eighteen wheeler trailers on them so the trucks are not using gas or polluting. So with 34 more trains in these affluent towns is a drop in the bucket. As far as talking about overpasses give me a break, we get by without them even with emergency responses. What will happen if the South Shore extension is put in how many crossings, emergency response time and time for drivers to wait until the train passes by? So this has come to push and shove by this politician. I believe that the Surface Transportation Board did a expert examination of all the data required and not give anymore time for discussion. The longer it lingers on is the hope of not the people but the politicians. This has been lingering on and probably is holding back any sort of development and jobs that the CN will bring in.

I sent the above to the Local Newspapers to let the public know what is going on and get a full truthful story.

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