



Environmental Impact Statement

Scoping Comment for the Proposed Canadian National Railway Company Acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Comment Form

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How Do I Submit Comments?

- **Written Comments:** Complete and submit this form at the public open house scoping meeting, or follow the directions on the reverse side of this sheet to mail your comments.
- **Recorded Comments:** Provide your comments to a member of the project team or court reporter at this public open house scoping meeting, or call the toll-free project information line: 1-800-347-0689.
- **Electronic Comments:** Submit electronic comments by visiting the Surface Transportation Board's website, www.stb.dot.gov, under the heading "E-Filing."

Please refer to STB Finance Docket No. 35087 in all correspondence addressed to the Surface Transportation Board. Comments must be submitted by February 1, 2008.

My wife and family live 5 miles North of the impacted train tracks, we depend on the crossing of these tracks at least twice a day. In the morning we need to cross the tracks to catch the Metra train inbound to Chicago. We also need to cross the tracks to drop our children at their respective schools. Time is very critical. We also have to pick our children up after school/work and any delays past 5:30 / 6:00 costs us per minute. This can be a hardship for our expenses. We're also concerned the running of more trains will cause Metra (separate train line) to change their times since they cross tracks. We also worry that if anything happens to our children during the day or my elder parent who lives in Barrington may be delayed from accessing their nearest hospital, Good Shepherd Hospital. We also frequent Barrington stores such as groceries, pharmacy and misc. household goods. If traffic increases it will be easier to go to another village to shop thereby impacting Barrington's economy. We are also very concerned the impact to our Real estate value. If we can not sustain our current ability to drop our children off on time or go to work at the expected time, will our choice be to move? During these hard real estate times, we would be losing value. If Barrington's economy begins to hurt this will affect everyone's real estate value. Overall this increase in train traffic will negatively impact our quality of life and our hard earned savings.

What scoping meeting did you attend? (Please circle): Mundelein, Barrington, Joliet, Matteson, Gary, West Chicago, Chicago.

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YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

Comments provided by the public help determine the scope of the environmental review.