



INDIAN PRAIRIE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

Attention: Phillis Johnson-Ball
Environmental Filing
STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball:

The intent of this letter is to file Indian Prairie School District 204 administration's firm opposition to the acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railroad by Canadian National Railway. Indian Prairie School District 204 serves the communities of Naperville, Aurora, and Bolingbrook, Illinois. The Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railroad runs north and south through the district with eleven schools west of the railroad and twenty-four schools east of the railroad. Of the fourteen railroad crossings in the District, nine are on grade.

Obvious negative impacts on the District include delayed buses, increased risk of accidents, delayed emergency response, and noise. Presently, train traffic in the district frequently causes automobile traffic backups of a mile or more.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Stephen Daeschner'.

Stephen Daeschner
Superintendent

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