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Environmental Impact Statement

# Comment Form

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

STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Date: 8/27/08

Comments must be submitted by September 30, 2008.

For the 13 years I have lived in Barrington, I have never felt as passionate about an issue as the acquisition of CN rail and its intent to increase train traffic by 20+ trains per day.

We already are a "train" community with the EJE & Metra lines. We understand the need for train, we do not understand the good that will come out of this purchase and increased traffic.

My number <sup>1</sup> concern is safety and FMS response time. Barrington High School has over 4000 students, it could potentially be blocked by two sets of train crossings. This is appalling that we would let this even be a consideration. CN needs to take responsibility for this purchase. They are a multi-billion corporation and are getting a bargain to purchase EJE for 300 million while offering next to nothing in mitigation. I can't even believe how far this has gone. It is unjust, unwarranted & ultimately people will pay the price.

You should put yourself in my shoes & understand the ramifications to safety & the lack of mitigation from CN.

**YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!**

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