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Subject: \* Proposed Acquisition of EJ&E Railroad by Canadian Northern  
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Message: I am writing voice my opposition to this acquisition as proposed. In the Naperville/Aurora, Illinois community there are thousands of children who are bused across the EJ&E tracks each day to attend school. This number will increase DRAMATICALLY as the new high school (Metee Valley) is opened in 2009 on the immediate western side of the EJ&E tracks.

For this acquisition to go through without CN making a dramatic contribution (and not just lip service) to the construction of overpasses is irresponsible. CN would be the one dramatically contributing to the degradation of lifestyle in these communities in the form of radically increased rail line traffic, obvious increase in travel times and delays as students are being transported to school, and eventually and inevitably, death of young student drivers and pedestrians attempting to navigate grade crossings. For this hardship to be imposed on our community without CN being forced to make a hardship contribution towards multiple grade crossings to mitigate the problem would be to award corporate interests without addressing the basic societal needs of the citizens living in the communities affected by those corporate interests.

As a representative government body empowered by the people to represent our interests and to ensure our safety, please do not let CN come in and make a railway autobahn out of the EJ&E tracks in the middle of our community. Major concessions on the part of CN are warranted.

Respectfully submitted,  
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