

1 SCOPING MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED CANADIAN NATIONAL
2 RAILWAY COMPANY ACQUISITION OF THE ELGIN, JOLIET
3 AND EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY
4 STATEMENT OF:
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1 MR. ZIENTARA: My telephone number
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2 is (847) 695-6126, and I'm the president of
3 Rolling Knolls Homeowners Association,
4 located in Elgin. Particularly my
5 constituents, there are 57 homeowners,
6 property owners in my neighborhood, they
7 would like to know how will CN compensate
8 property owners for the negative impact the
9 EJ&E acquisition will cause to their
10 properties? That's Question No. 1.

11 Question No. 2, how will CN compensate
12 taxpayers for increased taxes required to
13 improve railroad crossings that would not
14 otherwise be needed? And I'm talking in
15 terms of full, not partial, compensation.

16 Question No. 3, how will CN compensate
17 homeowners whose wells are contaminated by
18 hazardous waste spills along the EJ&E line?

19 Question No. 4, how will CN compensate
20 those whose homes burn down because CN
21 freight traffic blocks emergency
22 firefighting vehicles?

23 Question No. 5, how will CN compensate
24 victims and/or their survivors for

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1 inability of emergency medical response due
2 to freight traffic?

3 And Question No. 6, if CN feels they
4 aren't responsible and/or liable for any of
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5 the aforementioned, why is this? Since the
6 proposed traffic increases are the only
7 reason these tragedies can and would occur.
8 Thank you.

9 (End of statement.)

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