



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

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.

I have lived in the Village of Barrington for 20 years within 300 feet of Highway 14. So, I am aware of the large volume of traffic that crosses the EJE tracks which are also close to my home. We are aware of the number of emergency vehicles that cross the EJE both on Highway 14 and Highway 59. My children also take school buses daily over those tracks. Suffice it to say that mile long freight trains blocking these roads 20 or more times a day is both highly inconvenient as well as dangerous in the case of emergencies.

I would summarize the problem as this: A foreign company is taking advantage of the weak American currency to buy the EJE rail assets cheaply. This company, the CN, then will wreak havoc on residents and/or commuters in the Chicago suburbs. It is un-American to sanction this transaction; it is even worse that residents of Barrington and surrounding suburbs must pay such a high price either through increased congestion, pollution, and inconvenience or through the high cost of environmental mitigation of this horrible transaction.

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.