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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

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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.

THE PROPOSAL OF CANADIAN NATIONAL TO OPERATE 15-25 TRAINS PER DAY OVER THE EJ&E TRACKS WILL DO SERIOUS DAMAGE TO THE VILLAGE OF BARRINGTON, WITH AT LEAST 4 HIGHWAY AND MAJOR STREETS TO BE CROSSED, TRAFFIC JAMS WILL RUIN OUR TOWN. THIS IS A MAJOR CATASTROPHE FOR OUR TOWN AND IS THE HEIGHT OF CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY. THE TRAFFIC JAMS EVEN TODAY ARE NOTORIOUS IN OUR AREA WITH ONLY 6 TRAINS PER DAY. ADDING THE PROPOSED TRAINS THRU BARRINGTON WILL DESTROY OUR TOWN. TODAY IT IS A DESIREABLE PLACE TO LIVE. IT WILL NOT BE A DESIREABLE PLACE TO LIVE WITH THE PROPOSED LEVEL OF FREIGHT TRAIN ACTIVITY. BARRINGTON IS A BEDROOM COMMUNITY, NOT AN INDUSTRIAL PARK. WITH THE RAILROAD TRACKS CUTTING BARRINGTON IN HALF, FIRE AND RESCUE ACTIVITIES WILL BE SEVERELY COMPROMISED. THE STATE OF ILLINOIS HAS BEEN CONCERNED FOR YEARS ABOUT TRAFFIC ON ILLINOIS ROUTE 59, PASSING NORTH AND SOUTH THRU THE VILLAGE. THE EJ&E TRACKS ALSO CROSS U.S. ROUTE 14, A MAJOR NORTHWEST/SOUTHEAST ROAD.

IN SHORT, THIS PROPOSAL WILL BE EXCEEDINGLY DETRIMENTAL TO COMMERCIAL ON VERY BUSY ROADWAYS. IT WILL CREATE EXCESSIVE NOISE IN A BEDROOM COMMUNITY. GOVERNMENTAL BODIES SHOULD STOP THIS PROPOSAL. IT IS VERY POOR CORPORATE POLICY TO DO SUCH HARM TO OUR VILLAGE.

What scoping meeting did you attend? (Please circle): Mundelein, Barrington, Joliet, Matteson, Gary, West Chicago, Chicago.

YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

Comments provided by the public help determine the scope of the environmental review.

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