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### Comment Form for the Surface Transportation Board

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#### How will CN's proposed acquisition of the EJ&E impact you?

This acquisition will have a significantly negative impact on my family of four in these ways:

1. My home is located approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile west of the grade-level <sup>crossing</sup> at Cuba Rd and 1 mile north of the grade-level crossing at Lake Zurich Road.

My office is at the south end of Barrington. For me to get to my office, the center of Barrington or Lake Zurich means I have to cross these tracks. No choice. It's bearable now. An increase of 15-26 trains is simply unacceptable.

2. An increase of freight traffic will hurt home values in communities along the tracks. That will cost me money.

3. The trains will lead to increased gasoline usage for me and other commuters. More noise pollution also.

Finally I'm concerned that this increase in freight traffic would just be the first step.

John Corey

Signed

↑ What would keep CN from continuing to increase the number of trains? Since CN would profit from this acquisition I think it appropriate that they pay to modify every grade level crossing to prevent disruptions or. Thank you!