

Ms. Victoria Rutson

Chief, Section of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board

395 E. Street, SW

Washington D.C. 20423-0001

Docket # 35087, Purchase of Ilgin, Joliet & Eastern
RR by Canadian National

Dear Ms Rutson,

I live in the area that will be impacted by the above deal. Surprisingly as you may note upon reading this and against all recent reports, NOT ALL of us reject this deal, NOT ALL of us think this is a deal we need to be protected from.

The rail lines right-of-way have been there for decades & I'm amazed that folks moving here never wondered what those tracks would be used for. The Western suburbs of Chicago have long expected that trains will travel thru Chgo - never to

bring noise out here! We can't be bothered
with the traffic ... just force it thru the
already heavily crowded city proper ... let those
people put up with additional noise & crowding!

Barrington's Elite have long blocked almost
anything, rail or highway that would upset them!
Now they've allowed other small towns to join
in the fight with them.

We have the "Repetition tactic" being used here —
tell the community over & over & over that this
deal will seriously hurt them and their
children and sooner or later everyone will reject it.

The problems in this Country are far beyond
our small region, but honestly we need to
improve our transportation & freight systems, but this
self-centered & 20TH century thinking out here in
the suburbs is upsetting

Sincerely,
Pat Swords