



CN EJ&E

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?

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- **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.

With regards to STB Finance Docket #35087, I would like to voice my concerns to increased freight train traffic on the existing EJ&E railway tracks. The entire Barrington area would be greatly affected. Traffic is already a nightmare when trying to go from the north side to the south side of Barrington or from the east side to the west side of Barrington + vice versa. Because the Metra tracks cross through the village on a diagonal, tying up all major arteries, we have enough issues. However, the Metra is beneficial to people in our area along with the traffic backups it creates. The trains are quite short, so traffic begins to run smoothly within a short amount of time.

Barrington has the confluence of Rte 59 and Rte 14. Unfortunately, both of these main arteries are greatly affected by an increase in freight traffic. It would be a danger to pedestrians, car traffic, + it would make MANY people move from the Barrington area, thus greatly affecting property values.

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

I am very much against ANY increase in freight traffic through Barrington.

YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

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

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Please don't do this. Hospitals, schools, fire station, police station will be affected by the train.