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1 SCOPING MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED CANADIAN
2 NATIONAL RAILWAY COMPANY ACQUISITION OF THE
3 ELGIN, JOLIET AND EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY
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9 STATEMENT OF:
10 MARY LOU HOLUP
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12 AUGUST 26, 2008
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14 CROWNE PLAZA CHICAGO NORTH SHORE
15 510 EAST ROUTE 83
16 MUNDELEIN, ILLINOIS
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1 My name is Mary Lou Holup,
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2 H-o-l-u-p. I live at 7021 RFD, Long Grove.
3 I've had four years of
4 experience trying to get across the tracks,
5 trying to get my son to and from school,
6 and that can be an issue. But even more
7 so, all the people that are sitting, trying
8 to get to work, like, in the mornings.

9 We never know when the trains
10 are coming or going. I called EJ&E so I
11 could try and figure out a pattern, and
12 there isn't one. And it does cross over
13 three places where we have the possibility
14 of going west.

15 We also have problems because
16 the roads are not sufficient as it is to
17 handle the traffic, because in many places
18 68 becomes just one lane each way.

19 And we also have the issue of
20 environmental from people sitting with
21 their cars running waiting in traffic.

22 And I think one of the bigger
23 concerns is emergency vehicles. How do
24 they get around? Because once that --

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1 there is that log of intersections of
2 traffic sitting there from -- even if a
3 train takes six minutes, ten minutes, the
4 backlog is for blocks and blocks and

5 through many more intersecting streets.

6 So that's our major concern.

7 There is many issues here. I think the
8 biggest concern is why people don't come
9 before this railroad.

10 It seems like, you know, when
11 Mundelein started an impact by fining them
12 for sitting on the tracks and creating
13 these backlogs, I read in the papers that
14 the courts threw out the fines, the
15 government actually threw out the fines.

16 Thank you.

17 (End of statement.)

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