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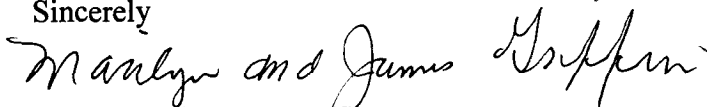
As residents of Wayne, IL between West Chicago and Bartlett, we are concerned about every aspect of the threat of Canadian National's intent to increase our Trains Per Day by 555%, the Hazardous Waste passing through our Village increased by \$1200 %; the increase in length of the trains to 10,000 and even 12,000 feet.

We are faced with having 3 of our 5 small roads blocked simultaneously.
Two other small roads are crossed by Union Pacific – with little more than a mile between them.

We are also faced by the very real prospect of accidents and hazardous waste spills, magnified by our having only private wells in shallow porous ground with access to no other water source. And the oft repeated delays of fire, police, medical and rescue vehicles, the constant reality of blocked routes for our elementary schools buses (at 14 of them) - people trying to get to jobs.

We are also concerned about SECURITY and possibly acts of TERRORISM. Container cars originating in foreign countries and entering our borders (thru Port of St. Rupert) are not subject to the rigorous safeguards of security that those entering U.S. ports have. The increased threat to terrorist activities is frightening, for our region and our nation.

Sincerely



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