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The purchase of the EJ&E Railways by CN would so negatively affect our community that the purchase should be vetoed. A 400% increase in the number of trains combined with a 200% increase in the length of the trains (and that's just to start off with!) would be a detriment to our community. The safety and well being of our children who must cross these tracks to get to school every day would be in jeopardy. If there is a hazardous spill, the lives of our children who are at school along those tracks would be put in grave danger, as would the lives of the homeowners in the houses all along the tracks. The ability for emergency responders to get to their destination would be negatively impacted. An emergency cannot wait for a 20 minute freight train to cross a street, and with the increased length of the trains blocking all major crossings at the same time, there is no way for emergency personnel to go around the train. Is speeding up the delivery of goods to our stores really worth the price of our lives? Property values in our growing community would severely decline, a blow felt twice as hard with the recent fall of real estate prices. We bought our house knowing there was a train track nearby, but also knowing that the safety and well-being of homeowners is paramount to any revenue gained from a pending sale such as this. I strongly urge you to consider the safety of my family and those in the communities affected by this proposed sale and vote NO. Thank you for your time.