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Message: To whom it may concern on the Surface Transportation Board,

I am writing this letter to formally express my opposition to the Canadian National Railway's Corporation's intent to use EJ&E West Company railways to bypass congested Chicago rail lines. My home, which is part of the Coves of Harbor Springs subdivision, is very close to some of the tracks that would be impacted. I offer the following reasons in opposition:

1. Being in such close proximity to the tracks, noise pollution from the passing of more trains has the potential to increase by a factor of 4. Although I have somewhat adjusted to the current noise of the ~11 trains that pass per day, I believe a possible increase to an average of 42 trains per day is unacceptable.
2. Getting to work requires me to pass over the tracks that run along Normantown. This potential increase in train traffic could be a severe hinderance to morning and afternoon commutes.
3. Since this proposal has the potential to also lengthen the trains that travel on these tracks, the delays caused regardless of the number of trains per day will be amplified.

I hope you seriously consider my comments in deliberating on this important issue. I know that I speak for many of my neighbors who also oppose this move.

Respectfully,
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