



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](http://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.

I recently purchased a home in Dyer, IN which is located approximately 150 yards from the railroad tracks. The railroad traffic at this time isn't bad and I purchased the home based on current traffic. I have been informed that the purchase of the tracks will increase the wage by 3.5 times. The amount of noise and vibration will be overwhelming. I'm also concerned about how the vibration of 1.5 trains an hour will affect my house structure, especially the foundation. My house was built in 2007 and I'm afraid the vibration will cause the house to settle unevenly and cause cracks.

I was advised that hazardous material will be transported on the tracks. With so many trains using these tracks there is the potential for an accident to occur involving hazardous material.

I feel the increased train traffic will impede traffic flow through numerous communities. In Dyer, IN there will be two at grade crossings that will be affected. Northwest Indiana continues to grow, especially the southern half, and the increased train traffic will make commuting to work and other destinations extremely difficult.

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

Date Recd: \_\_\_\_\_

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### YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

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

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