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Please carefully the negative environmental impact that increased rail traffic will have on our community in Naperville (specifically the Indian Prairie School District area). IPSD is the third largest district in the state of IL., with transportation of more than 17,500 students per day by bus. The rail line in question stretches 11 miles through our district with seven schools located within a half mile of the tracks. School buses cross the Ogden Avenue tracks a total of 164 times each day and the Montgomery Avenue tracks 139 times each day. If the proposed sale goes through, there is expected increase in the number of trains traveling through our community, and an increase in train length. Gate closures are expected to increase up to 10 minutes per train. Delays created by rail traffic will impact students' arrival at school as well as their timely return home. There is a quiet zone to be enacted in Naperville in November 2008. Will this quiet zone be honored if this transaction? CNR website is advertising for shippers in order to increase their business. CNR obviously wants to increase their loads which will consequently increase the number of trains. We have enough train tracks in our neighborhoods. The benefits to this region were not outlined in the CEIS and it does not hold CNR accountable for long term guarantee that traffic on the current tracks will not increase at a later date. Please do not sell out to big business over the concerns of the citizens of this community. Our hope is that you will consider the true negative impact the CNR acquisition will have on our community.