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Transcript:

My phone number is 815-741-5055. I'm calling in regard to the Canadian National, they want to purchase the EJ&E Railroad lines, I live on Carlton, my backyard backs up to the railroad tracks and I was told when I purchased this home that the train went by like maybe once or twice a day, that is certainly not the case, and I work two jobs to afford this house. This, the train, and it's not really the train, it's the individuals that are manning this train, are the most ignorant bunch of human beings on this earth. They sit out in the back of my, sit on the tracks and idle the train at, all night long. They start at midnight, it goes to six in the morning, they don't do this during the day, just at night when people are trying to sleep. I can't have my windows open beacause the train is sitting on the tracks not more than 10 feet away and they're, then they blow the horn, not just a little toot, they just lay on the horn. Then they'll rev the engines up, and lower them down, rev them up, lower them down, this goes on probably two or three times a week, especially Sundays are the worst days and you know, I'm home sometimes during the day if I take a vacation day or something, this never goes on during the day, never. Plus, these people sit out in your back, they sit in the, the conductors sit in the back on the trains and look in your house, they try to look in your windows because the train is sitting up high on the tracks and we're down a little bit lower, so they can see straight in your windows. I just dread this, the thoughts of having more of this going on, all day long, all night long, plus they, this is a residential area, these trains are sometimes zooming along at 65 miles an hour. If they ever derailed, I can't imagine how many people would be killed, how many, you know, innocent victims in this. I'm very upset by this, I hope that you guys really say no to this proposed acquisition, or if you want to, come visit me at my house and you can see how bad it really is. Thank you and you have a great day.