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**Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed
Canadian National Railway Company Acquisition of the
Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company
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847-830-3123. I'm calling as a business owner, I have a building that is located adjoining the railroad tracks of the EJ&E, right on Lake Zurich Road and I relocated my company from Elgin to here, unbeknownst to me was this rail situation going through Barrington. I have about 30 employees. I also have a building that I just purchased and restored to the tune of about \$4 million. This is going to negatively impact, it actually has negatively impacted my, my business for far because no one will rent space with what's going on. Also, I live in Barrington, in Lake Barrington, my kids go to school at St. Ann's, I drive them to school everyday. The thought that this could actually be happening, ripping right through the middle of our town, destroying property values everywhere in it's path, disrupting the environment, is just mind blowing to me. That any private company could do such disasterous effects to a community just does not seem constitutional. I've been to the two meetings in Barrington and the last one at Barrington High School there was tremendous presentations given on all of the safety reasons, the health reasons, I mean, the housing reasons. There is not one good reason why this should be able to happen. And as far as CN goes, they're reducing traffic on other railways for now, but when their Phase II kicks into full swing, I'm quite certain that all tracks will be running and flowing and all traffic will be impacted. So, any support that CN might be getting from Buffalo Grove or communities from the east, that will change once they actually inact their full plan. I really, really hope that there's enough negative reasons why this should not occur that the Surface Transportation Board does not allow this to happen. Thank you