

I am deeply against the CN railroads pending purchase of the EJ&E line running through the northwest suburbs especially the Barrington, Hawthorne Woods, Lake Zurich and Hoffman Estates areas. This Canadian based multi billion profit per year company has no regard for the families and businesses that they will affect. They expect the American taxpayers to pay the bills for the infrastructure changes that would need to be made with the one hundred thirty three intersections that the train would cross. Why should the American tax payers help to profit a foreign based company that will only ruin our communities that we have chosen to live in and raise our families and have our businesses in?

The town of Barrington will be literally be cut in half with concerns of safety , traffic and noise pollution that will surely happen with the CN railroads intent to increase the train traffic from currently five trains a day to twenty plus trains a day. Medical emergency will be delayed and those five to ten minutes could be the difference between life and death or a home being saved from a fire.

The train will pass behind the backyards of homes and only six hundred feet from our only high school in town. CN's railroad safety record is just horrendous. They also carry hazardous wastes and with their record of derailment at every 3 and a half days, would you want a train with a safety record as such traveling through your neighborhoods or near your child's high school twenty plus times a day?

What about homeland security issues? We need to protect our home and businesses in our communities .Please help protect our communities from the devastating affects this purchase from the CN railroad of the EJ&E will cause. Please put the safety and well being of people before freight!

Thank You,

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