

1 SCOPING MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED CANADIAN
2 NATIONAL RAILWAY COMPANY ACQUISITION OF THE
3 ELGIN, JOLIET AND EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY
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9 STATEMENT OF:

10 ELIZABETH CRANDALL
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12 AUGUST 27, 2008
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14 BARRINGTON HIGH SCHOOL
15 616 MAIN STREET
16 BARRINGTON, ILLINOIS
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1 Elizabeth Crandall, and I live on Fox
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2 Hunt Trail in Barrington, Illinois.

3 I'm concerned about multiple things.

4 One of the items I don't think where it's factored
5 into the safety analysis were the number of buses.
6 There are somewhere between 700 to 800 buses that
7 cross these railroad -- 840 that cross these
8 railroad tracks during the course of the day.

9 We haven't gotten any information about
10 when these trains are going to be crossing, and we
11 think there is a high likelihood of some dangerous
12 occurrences between either Metra rails, freight
13 trains, and then also the school buses.

14 Particularly here in the high school,
15 we have a railroad crossing that's very close.
16 And one of the situations we worried about is kids
17 are coming to high school, and they're going to
18 get stuck between 10-minute rail trains, and they
19 may try to skirt ahead and jump over so they're
20 not late to school and things like that.

21 I think there is just not an
22 understanding that we've got about four or five
23 major, major crossings that could be blocked at
24 any one time by one-, two-mile freight trains, and

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1 the entire city will come to a stop.

2 So those are some of my thoughts.

3 (End of statement.)

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