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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 ROSE CHEN
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12 AUGUST 27, 2008
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1 Rose Chen, last name C-h-e-n,
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2 242 Biltmore Drive, North Barrington.

3 My comments are, I want to see
4 more study of how it's going to affect the
5 emergency response because I am worried
6 about especially children in the schools,
7 if they are hurt, if there is a disaster,
8 how are they going to get across the
9 tracks? If there is a train, how are they
10 going to get all these kids to the
11 hospital?

12 I'm worried about the kids going
13 to school on the buses because the buses
14 cross the train lines at so many places. I
15 don't know if it's an adequate study of
16 that. I don't think we've seen an adequate
17 study of how it affects the commuter line.

18 we haven't seen any studies as
19 to how the commuter line is going to be
20 affected by this. And if the commuter line
21 is going to be tied up, that's going to
22 affect not just Barrington but people from
23 Harvard all the way to the city.

24 If you think congestion is not

1 bad now, wait until all the people who
2 usually take the train start driving into
3 the city, or the companies in the city
4 decide they're not going to put up with it
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5 and pull out of the city and put their
6 offices in the suburbs because they won't
7 have their employees going into the city.

8 The other thing we haven't
9 studied is how much time is going to be
10 spent with cars sitting at railroad
11 crossings, how much fuel is going to be
12 used as cars sit idle at railroad
13 crossings.

14 Those are my main concerns.

15 (End of statement.)

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