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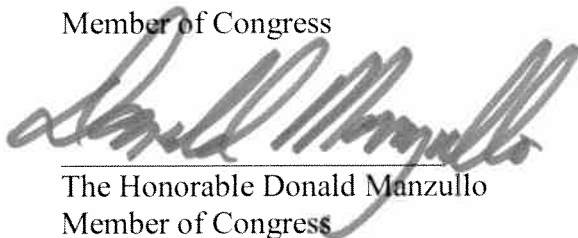
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On behalf of the residents and communities who will be adversely impacted by Canadian National's proposed acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railroad, pursuant to 49 C.F.R. Section 1115, 3(F), we petition the Surface Transportation Board (STB) to stay the effective date of Decision No. 16 in the above-referenced proceeding pending ruling on any petitions for reconsideration, judicial review, and compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 4321, et seq (NEPA). As of this filing, the Village of Barrington, Illinois and Will County, Illinois have both filed petitions requesting a stay of the effective date of Decision No. 16. We associate ourselves with the reasons stated by Barrington and Will County for the stay and urge you to grant our request.

Respectfully Submitted,



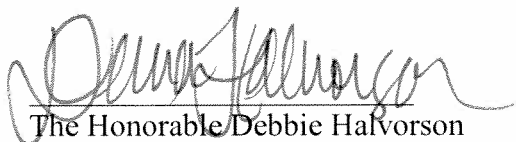
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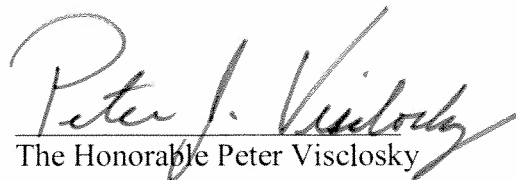
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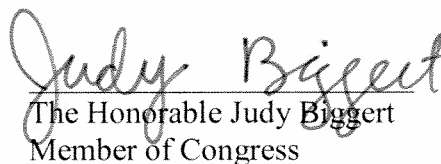
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The Honorable Peter Visclosky  
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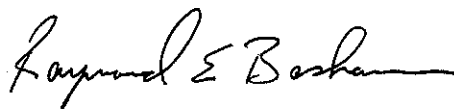
The Honorable Bill Foster  
Member of Congress

Dated: January 12, 2009

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 12th day of January, 2009, copies of "Michigan State Senator Raymond E. Basham's Comments to the Notice of Exemption" in this proceeding were served via first-class mail, postage pre-paid, upon the following:

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