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To: Johnson, Mark
Cc: Armstrong, Bill
Subject: SUBMISSION File Z-8194 City of London Zoning By-Law Amendment
Importance: High

RE: File Z-8194

Meeting: August 20, 2013 @ 4:30 p.m.

Dear Planning & Environment Committee:

As homeowner's on Crumlin Sideroad, we would like to register the following concern with regard to File Z-8194. Acknowledging that your plan appears to be a long term one and that we do not have detailed information (only what appeared in the Notice of Public Meeting). Our main concern is:

1) if Crumlin Sideroad becomes a Secondary Collector road, then our concern is that the CNR tracks would have to become a level crossing, or at the very least a whistled crossing. A level crossing may require a railway signal and traffic control system. That is a very busy CNR line, which is also used by VIA rail. As we understand it, that is the main CNR line between Montreal/Toronto/Buffalo to the east and Sarnia and Chicago to the west.

An estimate of the number of trains that pass by Crumlin Sideroad south using those tracks is (information obtained from CNR employee, and various websites):

- **freight** trains: 10 each way in a twenty-four hour period; so about 20 crossings daily (this can vary)
- **VIA** rail shows 6 westbound trains and 6 eastbound trains daily; so about 12 crossings daily

In total, that represents about 32 crossings daily. If a level crossing is needed at those tracks, it would mean homeowner's would be subject to the ongoing noise and flashing lights from the crossing signals both day and night and/or the sounding of train horns more than once per hour every day. Presently, neither VIA trains nor CNR trains signal with their horn when they cross that area unless there are repairs being conducted on the tracks.

Thank you for your consideration of this information.

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