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VIA E-MAIL

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RE: 15-FOIA-187 Noise Analysis Info RID - Robbins

Dear Mr. Harrington:

We are in receipt of your request under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.*

On September 10, 2015, we received your request for information for two sites near the Metra Rock Island line in Robbins. Specifically, you requested:

1. Number of trains per day passing by the site broken down by diesel or electric propulsion;
2. The average number of diesel locomotives per train;
3. The average number of railcars per train;
4. The fraction of the daily train operations that occur at night (10 PM to 7 AM);
5. The average train speed;
6. Are the track sections welded or bolted;
7. Are there any whistle stops at crossings in the immediate vicinity; and
8. Are horns used opposite the site.

(“Request”).

In response to your Request, Metra’s Transportation Department is providing you with the following information:

1. Number of trains per day passing by the site broken down by diesel or electric propulsion;
 - 48 diesels Metra Trains / 4 Freight Trains
2. The average number of diesel locomotives per train;
 - One Metra / Two Freight
3. The average number of railcars per train;
 - Nine coaches Metra/ Forty Freight
4. The fraction of the daily train operations that occur at night (10 PM to 7 AM);
 - 5 diesel Metra Trains
5. The average train speed;

- 79MPH METRA / 30MPH Freight
6. Are the track sections welded or bolted;
 - 90% of track in this area is welded rail with exception of the interlocking areas
 7. Are there any whistle stops at crossings in the immediate vicinity; and
 - Yes, whistle in both directions at 139th St.
 8. Are horns used opposite the site.
 - See item #7 above.

If I can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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