

exemption to acquire and operate approximately 131.2 miles of rail line currently owned and operated by Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NS) and its subsidiaries, Georgia Southern and Florida Railway Company and Central of Georgia Railroad Company. A description of the involved trackage follows:

G&F will purchase and operate: (1) A rail line extending between milepost 23.25 at Ganor and milepost 33.6 at Schley Junction, near Moultrie, and between milepost 29.52 at Norman Junction, near Moultrie, and milepost 33.52 at Moultrie, a total distance of 14.35 miles, in Colquitt County, GA (the "Moultrie lines"); (2) a rail line extending between milepost 30.65 at Valdosta, in Lowndes County, GA, and milepost 57.2, at Nashville, in Berrien County, GA, a distance of 26.55 miles (the "Valdosta-Nashville line"); and (3) a rail line extending between milepost 93.0 and milepost 95.3, within Camilla, in Mitchell County, GA, a distance of 2.3 miles (the "Camilla line").

G&F will also lease from NS and operate a rail line extending between GN 0.7 at Albany, in Dougherty County, GA, and milepost GN 58.9 at Sparks, in Cook County, GA, a distance of approximately 58.2 miles (the "Sparks line").

Finally, NS will grant to G&F incidental overhead trackage rights extending between milepost 125.2 at Sparks, Cook County, GA, and milepost 155.0 at Valdosta, in Lowndes County, GA, a distance of approximately 29.8 miles (the "Sparks-Valdosta line").

This transaction is related to the petition for exemption concurrently filed in Finance Docket No. 32681, *H. Peter Claussen and Linda C. Claussen—Continuance-In-Control Exemption—Georgia & Florida Railroad Co., Inc.*, in which the Claussens seek to continue in control of G&F upon its becoming a class III rail carrier.¹ The proposed

¹ H. Peter Claussen and Linda C. Claussen (the Claussens) currently control through management and stock ownership, the following rail common carriers: (1) Albany Bridge Company, Inc. (ABC); (2) Gulf and Ohio Railways, Inc. (which operates the Mississippi Delta Railroad and the Atlantic & Gulf Railroad) (A&GR); (3) Wiregrass Central Railroad Company, Inc.; (4) H & S Railroad Company, Inc.; (5) Piedmont & Atlantic Railroad Co., Inc.; and (6) Rocky Mount & Western Railroad Co., Inc. The Claussens, the controlling stockholders of G&F, do not qualify for a class exemption under 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2) because the "Sparks line" connects with ABC and A&GR at Albany, GA, and the "Camilla line" connects with A&GR at Camilla, GA. In order to insulate themselves from unauthorized control during the pendency of the continuance in control proceeding, the Claussens have placed all of their shares of stock in an independent voting trust.

transaction was expected to be consummated on or after April 13, 1995.

Any comments must be filed with the Commission and served on: Mark H. Sidman, Weiner, Brodsky, Sidman & Kider, 1350 New York Avenue, N.W., Suite 800, Washington, DC 20005-4797.

This notice is filed under 49 CFR 1150.31. If the notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10505(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the transaction.

Decided: April 26, 1995.

By the Commission, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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[Docket No. AB-440X]

Wisconsin & Michigan Railway Company—Discontinuance of Service Exemption—in Ashland and Iron Counties, WI and Gogebic County, MI

AGENCY: Interstate Commerce Commission.

ACTION: Notice of exemption.

SUMMARY: The Commission, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10505, exempts Wisconsin & Michigan Railway Company (WIMI) from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 10903-10904 to discontinue service over 32.38 miles of Wisconsin Central, Ltd. rail line known as the Mellen-Bessemer Branch, extending between milepost 411.0 near Mellen, WI and milepost 443.38 near Bessemer, MI, in Ashland and Iron Counties, WI and Gogebic County, MI.

DATES: Provided no formal expression of intent to file a financial assistance offer has been received, this exemption will be effective on June 4, 1995. Formal expressions of intent to file financial assistance offers¹ under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2) must be filed by June 15, 1995. Petitions to stay must be filed by May 22, 1995. Petitions to reopen must be filed by May 30, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Send pleadings referring to Docket No. AB-440X to: (1) Office of the Secretary, Case Control Branch, Interstate Commerce Commission, 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20423; and (2) Petitioner's representative: Thomas F. McFarland, Jr., 20 North Wacker Drive, Suite 3118, Chicago, IL 60606-3101.

¹ See Exempt. of Rail Abandonment—Offers of Finan. Assist., 41 C.F.R. 2d 164 (1987).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph H. Dettmar, (202) 927-5660. [TDD for the hearing impaired: (202) 927-5721.]

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Additional information is contained in the Commission's decision. To purchase a copy of the full decision, write to, call, or pick up in person from: Dynamic Concepts, Inc., Room 2229, Interstate Commerce Commission Building, 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20423. Telephone: (202) 289-4357/4359. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through TDD services (202) 927-5721.]

Decided: April 20, 1995.

By the Commission, Chairman Morgan, and Commissioners Simmons, McDonald, and Owen.

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Immigration and Naturalization Service

[INS No. 1718-95]

Employment-Based Direct Mail Program for the Texas Service Center; and Clarification of all Service Center Names

AGENCY: Immigration and Naturalization Service, Justice.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice will inform the public that, as of October 1, 1994, Immigration and Naturalization (INS) service centers are identified by state location, i.e., Texas Service Center. This does not affect their multi-state jurisdiction. This notice also implements a trial program for filing of employment-based immigrant and non-immigrant petitions at the Texas Service Center. Currently all such cases are filed at the service centers located in Vermont, Nebraska and California. Under the trial program, employment-based petitions may be mailed directly to the Texas Service Center during the specified period, from May 5, 1995, through November 6, 1995. This trial Program is being set up as a way of analyzing the Service Center's processes relating to employment-based petitions. If, after the 6-month period, the trial program is deemed successful, the Texas Service Center will have exclusive jurisdiction over all employment-based petitions, except those related to major league baseball, the National Hockey League, and the

North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), filed by petitioners in states listed under the jurisdiction of the Texas Service Center.

DATES: May 5, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Please submit written comments, in triplicate, to the Policy Directives and Instructions Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, 425 I Street NW., Room 5307, Washington, DC 20536, Attention: Public Comment Clerk. To ensure proper handling, please reference INS No. 1718-95 on your correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jack Hartsoch, Staff Officer, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Service Center Operations (HQSCO), Room 3040, 425 I Street, NW., Washington, DC 20536, telephone (202) 514-3156, fax (202) 514-3156; or James M. Burns, Assistant Center Director-Examinations, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Texas Service Center, Dept. A, P.O. Box 152122, Irving, TX 75015-2122, telephone (214) 767-7288.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Since the inception of the service centers, several names have been attributed to them. Examples are: Regional Adjudication Center, Regional Service Center, (regional label such as) Southern Service Center, etc. This notice seeks to clarify the references to all service centers, and to conform to the Service's reorganization. Also, the INS is testing the direct mail of employment-based petitions at the Texas Service Center for a 6-month period to determine whether to expand the processing of these cases on a permanent basis.

Service center names: Service centers will henceforth be identified by the state in which they are located. The use of the state name as an identifier to distinguish between the four centers does not affect their multi-state jurisdiction. The following is a current listing of the service centers.

Vermont Service Center
Texas Service Center
Nebraska Service Center
California Service Center

Conversion to direct mail at the Texas Service Center: The INS intends to expand its Direct Mail Program in the near future to allow more types of applications and petitions to be filed directly with service centers. By expanding the authority to file employment-based petitions at all four service centers, the Service would achieve greater uniformity and coordination in the adjudication

processes. During the 6-month trial period, beginning the date this notice is published, in addition to those petitions and applications currently being filed with the Texas Service Center, the following employment-based petitions, except for those relating to major league baseball, the National Hockey League, and the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), may be filed at that Service Center:

1. Form I-129, Petition for a Nonimmigrant Worker.
2. Form I-140, Immigrant Petition for Alien Worker.
3. Form I-526, Immigrant Petition by Alien Entrepreneur.
4. Form I-829, Petition by Entrepreneur to Remove the Conditions.

The trial program is only available to those commercial enterprises whose work, training, or location is in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, or Texas.

This trial program is optional for those specified above, and pertains only to the 4 above-stated types of petitions. During the trial period, a petitioner also has the option to file the above-stated types of petitions with the service center currently having jurisdiction. If a petitioner files a petition with the Texas Service Center, however, the petitioner may not file an identical petition for the same beneficiary with another service center or office of the INS.

The mailing address of the Texas Service Center is: Texas Service Center, Dept. A, P.O. Box 152122, Irving, TX 75015-2122.

Dated: April 25, 1995.

Doris Meissner,

Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

**Employment Standards Administration
Wage and Hour Division**

**Minimum Wages for Federal and Federally Assisted Construction;
General Wage Determination Decisions**

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from, other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to

be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in these decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 29 CFR Part 1, by authority of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (46 Stat. 1494, as amended by 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR Part 1, Appendix, as well as such additional statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wages payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities described therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue current construction industry wage determinations frequently and in large volume causes procedures to be impractical and contrary to the public interest.

General wage determination decisions, and modifications and supersede as decisions thereto, contain no expiration dates and are effective from their date of notice in the **Federal Register**, or on the date written notice is received by the agency, whichever is earlier. These decisions are to be used in accordance with the provisions of 29 CFR Parts 1 and 5. Accordingly, the applicable decision, together with any modifications issued, must be made a part of every contract for performance of the described work within the geographic area indicated as required by an applicable Federal prevailing wage law and 29 CFR Part 5. The wage rates and fringe benefits, notice of which is published herein, and which are contained in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under The Davis-Bacon And Related Acts," shall be the minimum paid by contractors and subcontractors to laborers and mechanics.