

file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2)² must be filed by May 24, 1996; petitions to stay must be filed by May 29, 1996; requests for a public use condition conforming to 49 CFR 1152.28(a)(2) must be filed by June 3, 1996; and petitions to reopen must be filed by June 10, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Send pleadings referring to Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 367X) to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Branch, 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20423, and (2) Petitioner's representative: Sarah J. Whitley, 3800 Continental Plaza, 777 Main St., Fort Worth, TX 76102-5384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beryl Gordon, (202) 927-7513. [TDD for the hearing impaired: (202) 927-5721.]

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Additional information is contained in the Board's decision. To purchase a copy of the full decision, write to, call, or pick up in person from: DC News & Data, Inc., Room 2229, 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: May 1, 1996.

By the Board, Chairman Morgan, Vice Chairman Simmons, and Commissioner Owen.

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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Surface Transportation Board¹

[Docket No. AB-289 (Sub-No. 3X), AB-290 (Sub-No. 168X)]

Central Railroad Company of Indianapolis—Discontinuance of Service Exemption—Between Kokomo and Argos in Howard, Miami, Fulton, and Marshall Counties, IN; Norfolk and Western Railway Company—Abandonment Exemption—Between Kokomo and Rochester in Howard, Miami, and Fulton Counties, IN

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.

² See *Exempt. of Rail Line Abandonment—Offers of Finan. Assist.*, 4 I.C.C.2d 164 (1987).

¹ The ICC Termination Act of 1995, Pub. L. No. 104-88, 109 Stat. 803 (the Act), which was enacted on December 29, 1995, and took effect on January 1, 1996, abolished the Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) and transferred certain functions and proceedings to the Surface Transportation Board (Board). Section 204(b)(1) of the Act provides, in general, that proceedings pending before the ICC on the effective date of that legislation shall be decided under the law in effect prior to January 1, 1996, insofar as they involve functions retained by the Act. This notice relates to

ACTION: Notice of exemption and interim trail use DOT.

SUMMARY: The Board exempts from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 10903-04: (a) Norfolk and Western Railway Company's (N&W) abandonment of its line between milepost I-57.2 at or near Kokomo, IN, and milepost I-74.2, at Peru, IN; (b) N&W's discontinuance of service over the segment of the line between milepost I-74.2, at Peru, and milepost I-95.6, at or near Rochester, IN, and abandonment of this line segment, provided that the abandonment of this segment may not be consummated until Indiana Hi-Rail Corporation's discontinuance of its trackage rights over this segment has been authorized; and (c) Central Railroad Company of Indianapolis's discontinuance of service over 51.4 miles of rail line between milepost I-57.2, at or near Kokomo, and milepost I-108.6 at or near Argos, IN, in Howard, Miami, Fulton, and Marshall Counties, IN, subject to standard employee protective, environmental, trail use, and public use conditions.

DATES: Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) has been received, this exemption will be effective on June 13, 1996. Formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2)² and requests for interim trail use/rail banking under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by May 24, 1996. Petitions to stay must be filed by May 29, 1996. Requests for a public use condition must be filed by June 3, 1996. Petitions for reopening must be filed by June 10, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Send pleadings, referring to Docket Nos. AB-289 (Sub-No. 3X) and AB-290 (Sub-No. 168X), to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Branch, 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20423-0001; and (2) Petitioners' representatives: Thomas F. McFarland, Jr., Belnap, Spencer, McFarland and Herman, 20 North Wacker Drive, Suite 3118, Chicago, IL 60606-3101; and Robert J. Cooney, Senior General Attorney, Norfolk Southern Corporation, Three Commercial Place, Norfolk, VA 23510-2191.

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proceedings that were pending with the ICC prior to January 1, 1996, and to functions that are subject to Board jurisdiction under 49 U.S.C. 10903. Therefore, citations are to former sections of the statute.

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Decided: April 26, 1996.

By the Board, Chairman Morgan, Vice Chairman Simmons, and Commissioner Owen.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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Fiscal Service

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The Connecticut Surety Company.
BUSINESS ADDRESS: City Place II, 185 Asylum Street, Hartford, CT 06103-3403. PHONE: (860) 527-7806. UNDERWRITING LIMITATION b/: \$942,000. SURETY LICENSES c/: AR, CA, CT, DE, DC, LA, NE, NY, ND, OH, PA, SC, TX. INCORPORATED IN: Connecticut.

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