

will not result in adverse changes in service levels, significant operational changes, or a change in the competitive balance with carriers outside the corporate family.

Under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), the Board may not use its exemption authority to relieve a rail carrier of its statutory obligation to protect the interests of its employees. Section 11326(c), however, does not provide for labor protection for transactions under sections 11324 and 11325 that involve only Class III rail carriers. Because this transaction involves Class III rail carriers only, the Board, under the statute, may not impose labor protective conditions for this transaction.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. Petitions to reopen the proceeding to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to reopen will not automatically stay the transaction.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 33330, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Branch, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Richard R. Wilson, Esq., Vuono & Gray, 2310 Grant Building, Pittsburgh, PA 15219.

Decided: March 4, 1997.

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

Vernon A. Williams,  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Fiscal Service

#### Financial Management Service; Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds, Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company

**SUMMARY:** (Dept. Circ. 570, 1996 Rev., Supp. No. 10.)

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Surety Bond Branch, (202) 874-7102.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A Certificate of Authority as an acceptable surety on Federal bonds is hereby issued to the following Company under Sections 9304 to 9308, Title 31, of the United States Code. Federal bond-approving officers should annotate their reference copies of the Treasury Circular 570, 1996 Revision, on page 34297, to reflect this addition:

*Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company.*  
Business address: 175 Berkeley Street, Boston, MA 02117. Phone: (617) 357-9500. Underwriting limitation b/: \$51,386,000. Surety licenses c/: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, PR, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY. Incorporated in: Massachusetts.

Certificates of Authority expire on June 30 each year, unless revoked prior to that date. The Certificates are subject to subsequent annual renewal as long as the companies remain qualified (31 CFR, Part 223). A list of qualified companies is published annually as of July 1 in Treasury Department Circular 570, with details as to underwriting limitations, areas in which licensed to transact surety business and other information.

The Circular may be viewed and downloaded through the Internet (<http://www.fms.treas.gov/c570.html>) or through our computerized public bulletin board system (FMS Inside Line) at (202) 874-6887. A hard copy may be purchased from the Government Printing Office (GPO), Washington, DC, telephone (202) 512-1800. When ordering the Circular from GPO, use the following stock number: 048-000-00499-7.

Questions concerning this Notice may be directed to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Financial Management Service, Funds Management Division, Surety Bond Branch, 3700 East-West Highway, Room 6F04, Hyattsville, MD 20782, telephone (202) 874-7102.

Dated: March 3, 1997.

Charles F. Schwan III,  
*Director, Funds Management Division,  
Financial Management Service.*

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#### Financial Management Service; Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds, Northland Insurance Company

**SUMMARY:** (Dept. Circ. 570, 1996 Rev., Supp. No. 11.)

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Surety Bond Branch, (202) 874-6905.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A Certificate of Authority as an acceptable surety on Federal Bonds is hereby issued to the following company under Sections 9304 to 9308, title 31, of the United States Code. Federal bond-approving officers should annotate their reference copies of the Treasury Circular 570, 1996 Revision, on page 34301 to reflect this addition:

*Northland Insurance Company.* Business Address: P.O. Box 64816, St. Paul, MN 55164-0816. Phone: (612) 688-4100. Underwriting limitation b/: \$17,465,000. Surety licenses c/: AL, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, WA, WV, WY. Incorporated in: Minnesota.

Certificates of Authority expire on June 30 each year, unless revoked prior to that date. The Certificates are subject to subsequent annual renewal as long as the companies remain qualified (31 CFR, Part 223). A list of qualified companies is published annually as of July 1, in Treasury Department Circular 570, with details as to underwriting limitations, areas in which licensed to transact surety business and other information.

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Questions concerning this Notice may be directed to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Financial Management Service, Funds Management Division, Surety Bond Branch, 3700 East-West Highway, Room 6F04, Hyattsville, MD 20782.

Dated: March 3, 1997.

Charles F. Schwan III,  
*Director, Funds Management Division,  
Financial Management Service.*

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## UNITED STATES INSTITUTE OF PEACE

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY:** United States Institute of Peace.

*Date/Time:* Thursday, March 20, 1997, 9:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

*Location:* 1550 M Street, NW, M Street Lobby Conference Room, Washington, DC 20005.

*Status:* Open Session-Portions may be closed pursuant to Subsection (c) of Section 552(b) of Title 5, United States Code, as provided in subsection 1706(h)(3) of the United States Institute of Peace Act, Public Law 98-525.

*Agenda:* March Board Meeting; Approval of Minutes of the Seventy-ninth Meeting of the Board of Directors;

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Chairman's Report; President's Report;  
Committee Reports; Selection of 1997-  
1988 Jennings Randolph Fellows;  
Selection of Solicited Grants; Building  
and Space Plans; Other General Issues.

*Contact:* Dr. Sheryl Brown, Director,  
Office of Communications, Telephone:  
(202) 457-1700.

Dated: March 10, 1997.

Charles E. Nelson,

*Vice President for Management and Finance,  
United States Institute of Peace.*

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