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Decided: September 30, 1997.

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

**Vernon A. Williams,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB-487 (Sub-No. 1X)]

#### **Pittsburg & Shawmut Railroad, Inc.; Abandonment Exemption; in Jefferson County, PA**

On September 18, 1997, Pittsburg & Shawmut Railroad, Inc. (PSRR), filed with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) a petition under 49 U.S.C. 10502 for exemption from the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 10903 to abandon its line of railroad known as the Brockway to Brookville Branch, extending from railroad milepost 2.0 located at or near Brockway to milepost 19.0 located at or near Brookville, a distance of 17.0 miles, in Jefferson County, PA. The line traverses U.S. Postal Service Zip Codes 15824, 15825 and 15851, and includes the stations of Beechton, milepost 6; Sugar Hill, milepost 7; Reitz, milepost 9; and Allens Mills, milepost 10.

The line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in PSRR's possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it.

The interest of railroad employees will be protected by the conditions set forth in *Oregon Short Line R. Co.—Abandonment—Goshen*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979).

By issuance of this notice, the Board is instituting an exemption proceeding pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10502(b). A final decision will be issued by January 6, 1998.

Any offer of financial assistance (OFA) under 49 CFR 1152.27(b)(2) will be due no later than 10 days after service of a decision granting the petition for exemption. Each OFA must be accompanied by a \$900 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

All interested persons should be aware that, following abandonment of rail service and salvage of the line, the line may be suitable for other public use, including interim trail use. Any

request for a public use condition under 49 CFR 1152.28 or for trail use/rail banking under 49 CFR 1152.29 will be due no later than October 28, 1997. Each trail use request must be accompanied by a \$150 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(27).

All filings in response to this notice must refer to STB Docket No. AB-487 (Sub-No. 1X) and must be sent to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423-0001; and (2) Eric M. Hocky and Sebastian Ferrer, Gollatz, Griffin & Ewing, P.C., 213 West Miner Street, P. O. Box 796, West Chester, PA 19381-0796.

Persons seeking further information concerning abandonment procedures may contact the Board's Office of Public Services at (202) 565-1592 or refer to the full abandonment or discontinuance regulations at 49 CFR part 1152. Questions concerning environmental issues may be directed to the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) at (202) 565-1545. [TDD for the hearing impaired is available at (202) 565-1695.]

An environmental assessment (EA) (or environmental impact statement (EIS), if necessary) prepared by SEA will be served upon all parties of record and upon any agencies or other persons who commented during its preparation. Other interested persons may contact SEA to obtain a copy of the EA (or EIS). EAs in these abandonment proceedings normally will be made available within 60 days of the filing of the petition. The deadline for submission of comments on the EA will generally be within 30 days of its service.

Decided: September 29, 1997.

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*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Customs Service

#### **Performance Review Board; Appointment of Members**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs Service,  
Department of the Treasury

**ACTION:** General Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This Notice announces the appointment of the members of the United States Customs Service Performance Review Boards (PRB's) in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 4313(c)(4).

The purpose of the PRB's is to review senior executives' performance appraisals and make recommendations regarding performance appraisals and performance awards.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 1, 1997

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert M. Smith, Personnel Director, Office of Human Resources Management, United States Customs Service, 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., (Gelman Building, Room 6100), Washington, D.C. 20229; Telephone (202) 634-5270.

### Background

There are two (2) PRB's in the U.S. Customs Service.

#### *Performance Review Board 1*

The purpose of this Board is to review the performance appraisals of senior executives rated by the Acting Commissioner of Customs. The members are:

W. Ralph Basham, Assistant Director,  
Office of Administration, U.S. Secret Service  
Elisabeth A. Bresee, Deputy Assistant Secretary (Enforcement), Department of the Treasury  
John C. Dooher, Director, Washington Center, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center General Office  
Mitchell A. Levine, Assistant Commissioner, Management and Chief Financial Officer, Financial Management Service  
Jane L. Sullivan, Director, Information Resources Management, Department of the Treasury

#### *Performance Review Board 2*

The purpose of this Board is to review the performance appraisals of all senior executives *except* those rated by the Acting Commissioner of Customs. All are Assistant Commissioners of the U.S. Customs Service. The members are:

Assistant Commissioners  
Douglas M. Browning, Office of International Affairs  
Vincette L. Goerl, Office of Finance  
Edward F. Kwas, Office of Information & Technology  
Stuart P. Seidel, Office of Regulations and Rulings  
Deborah J. Spero, Office of Human Resources Management  
Bonni G. Tischler, Office of Investigations  
Robert S. Trotter, Office of Field Operations  
Homer J. Williams, Office of Internal Affairs  
Charles W. Winwood, Office of Strategic Trade