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A copy of this decision is being served on all persons designated as POR, MOC, or GOV on the service list in Finance Docket No. 32760 (Sub-No. 21). This decision will serve as notice that persons who were parties of record in the previous oversight proceeding (leading to Decision No. 10) will not automatically be placed on the service list as parties of record for this facet of oversight unless they notify us of their intent to participate further.

Finally, while the requested remedial conditions (and those reasonably anticipated from other parties) could, if imposed, result in a transfer of ownership of certain UP/SP rail property or changes in the way that such properties are operated, they appear unlikely to produce the kind of significant operational changes that, under 49 CFR 1105.6(b)(4), requires the filing of a preliminary draft environmental assessment (PDEA).

This action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human

environment or the conservation of energy resources.

Decided: March 30, 1998.

By the Board, Chairman Morgan and Vice Chairman Owen.

**Vernon A. Williams,**  
*Secretary.*

#### **Procedural Schedule**

June 8, 1998: Requests for new remedial conditions (with supporting evidence filed).

July 8, 1998: Board notice of acceptance of requests for new conditions published in the **Federal Register**.

July 22, 1998: Notice of intent to participate in proceeding due.

August 10, 1998: All comments, evidence, and argument opposing requests for new remedial conditions to the merger due. Comments by U.S. Department of Justice and U.S. Department of Transportation due.

September 8, 1998: Rebuttal evidence and argument in support of requests for new conditions due.

The necessity of briefing, oral argument, and voting conference will be determined after the Board's review of the pleadings.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

##### **Special Medical Advisory Group, Notice of Meeting**

As required by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the VA hereby gives notice that the Special Medical Advisory Group has scheduled a meeting on April 14, 1998. The meeting will convene at 8:30 a.m. and end at about 3:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in Room 830 at VA Central Office, 810 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. The purpose of the meeting is to advise the Secretary and Under Secretary for Health relative to the care and treatment of disabled veterans, and other matters pertinent to the Department's Veterans Health Administration (VHA).

The agenda for the meeting will include discussion of transformation highlights, quality management and safety, consumer bill of rights, transfer pricing regional variation in medical practice, and end of life care issues.

All sessions will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the meeting room. Those wishing to attend should contact Brenda Goodworth, Office of the Under Secretary for Health, Department of Veterans Affairs. Her phone number is 202.273.5878.

Dated: March 27, 1998.

By Direction of the Acting Secretary.

**Heyward Bannister,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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