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Dated June 22, 2000.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

Notice of Public Information Collection Submitted to OMB for Review

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

ACTION: Extension of a currently approved collection.

SUMMARY: The Surface Transportation Board has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval the following proposal for collection of information as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Title: Financial Assistance of Railroad Lines.

OMB Form Number: 2140-0003.

No. of Respondents: 11.

Total Burden Hours: 350.

DATES: Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should submit comments by July 31, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Case Control, Surface Transportation Board, Room 705, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423. When submitting comments refer to the OMB number and title of the information collection.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Charles L. Renninger, 202 565-1631. Requests for copies of the information collection may be obtained by contacting Ellen R. Keys (202) 565-1654.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Surface Transportation Board is, by statute, responsible for the economic regulation of surface transportation carriers operating in interstate and foreign commerce. The ICC Termination Act of 1995, Public Law 104-88, 109 Stat. 803 (1995), which took effect on January 1, 1996 abolished the Interstate Commerce Commission and transferred the responsibility for regulating rail transportation, including the proposed abandonment and discontinuance of rail lines, to the Surface Transportation Board. The Board needs, in each abandonment exemption proceeding, a detailed map of the rail line, depicting its relation to other rail lines, roads, water routes, and population centers. The Board will use the information concerning the value of the property involved to set the fair market value of the property and conditions of sale or the terms of the subsidy. Interested parties have a statutory right to file offers of financial assistance. The Board has the Congressionally mandated responsibility to handle offers of financial assistance. The consequences of failure to collect data related to offers of financial assistance will be an inability to fulfill responsibilities under 49 U.S.C. 10904.

Dated: June 22, 2000.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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ACTION: Extension of a currently approved collection.

SUMMARY: The Surface Transportation Board has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval the following proposal for collection of information as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Title: Maps To Be Submitted in Abandonment Exemption Proceedings.
OMB Form Number: 2140-0003

No. of Respondents: 84.

Total Burden Hours: 84.

DATES: Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should submit comments by July 31, 2000.

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Dated: June 22, 2000.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Debt Management Advisory Committee Meeting

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. 10(a)(2), that a meeting will be held at the U.S. Treasury Department, 15th and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, on August 1, 2000, of the following debt management advisory committee: the Bond Market Association, Treasury Borrowing Advisory Committee.

The agenda for the meeting provides for a technical background briefing by Treasury staff, followed by a charge by the Secretary of the Treasury or his designate that the Committee discuss particular issues, and a working session. Following the working session, the Committee will present a written report of its recommendations.

The background briefing by Treasury staff will be held at 9:00 a.m. Eastern time and will be opened to the public. The remaining sessions and the committee's reporting session will be closed to the public, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. 10(d).

This notice shall constitute my determination, pursuant to the authority placed in heads of departments by 5 U.S.C. app. 10(d) and vested in me by Treasury Department Order No. 101-05, that the closed portions of the meeting

are concerned with information that is exempt from disclosure under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(A). The public interest requires that such meetings be closed to the public because the Treasury Department requires frank and full advice from representatives of the financial community prior to making its final decision on major financing operations. Historically, this advice has been offered by debt management advisory committees established by the several major segments of the financial community. When so utilized, such a committee is recognized to be an advisory committee under 5 U.S.C. app. 3.

Although the Treasury's final announcement of financing plans may not reflect the recommendations provided in reports of the advisory committee, premature disclosure of the

committee's deliberations and reports would be likely to lead to significant financial speculation in the securities market. Thus, these meetings fall within the exemption covered by 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(A).

The Office of Financial Markets is responsible for maintaining records of debt management advisory committee meetings and for providing annual reports setting forth a summary of committee activities and such other matters as may be informative to the public consistent with the policy of 5 U.S.C. 552b.

Dated: June 26, 2000.

Lee Sachs,

Assistant Secretary, Financial Markets.

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