

proposed rule change between the Communication and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of Nasdaq. All submissions should refer to file number SR-NASD-99-12 and should be submitted by August 10, 2001.

For the Commission by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority:¹¹

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster #3354]

State of Virginia

As a result of the President's major disaster declaration on July 12, 2001, I find that Tazewell County in the State of Virginia constitutes a disaster area due to damages caused by Severe Storms and Flooding occurring on July 8 through 10, 2001. Applications for loans for physical damage as a result of this disaster may be filed until the close of business on September 10, 2001 and for economic injury until the close of business on April 12, 2002 at the address listed below or other locally announced locations: U.S. Small Business Administration, Disaster Area 1 Office, 360 Rainbow Blvd., South 3rd Fl., Niagara Falls, NY 14303-1192.

In addition, applications for economic injury loans from small businesses located in the following contiguous counties in Virginia may be filed until the specified date at the above location: Bland, Buchanan, Russell and Smyth; and McDowell and Mercer counties in the State of West Virginia.

The interest rates are:

	In percent
For physical damage	
Homeowners with credit available elsewhere	6.625
Homeowners without credit available elsewhere	3.312
Businesses with credit available elsewhere	8.000
Businesses and non-profit organizations without credit available elsewhere	4.000

	In percent
Others (including non-profit organizations) with credit available elsewhere	7.125
For economic injury	
Businesses and small agricultural cooperatives without credit available elsewhere	4.000

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 335406. For economic injury the number is 9M1700 for Virginia and 9M1800 for West Virginia.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 59002 and 59008)

Dated: July 13, 2001.

James E. Rivera,

Acting Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Finance Docket No. 33877]

Illinois Central Railroad Company—Construction and Operation—In East Baton Rouge Parish, LA

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board, Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of availability of environmental assessment and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Illinois Central Railroad Company (IC) has petitioned the Surface Transportation Board (Board) for authority to construct and operate a rail line approximately 3.2 miles in length in East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana, to serve ExxonMobil Chemical Company's Baton Rouge Polyolefins plant. The Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for this project. Based on the information provided and the environmental analysis conducted to date, the EA preliminarily concludes that this proposal should not significantly affect the quality of the human environment if the recommended mitigation measures set forth in the EA are implemented. Accordingly, SEA recommends that, if the Board approves this project, IC be required to implement the mitigation set forth in the EA. Copies of the EA have been served on all interested parties and will be made available to additional parties upon request. SEA will consider all comments received when making its

final environmental recommendations to the Board. The Board will then consider SEA's final recommendations and the complete environmental record in making its final decision in this proceeding.

DATES: The EA is available for public review and comment. Comments are due by August 20, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments (an original and 10 copies) regarding this EA should be submitted in writing to: Section of Environmental Analysis, Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423, to the attention of Dana White.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dana White, (202) 565-1552 (TDD for the hearing impaired 1-800-877-8339). To obtain a copy of the EA, contact Da-To-Da Office Solutions, Room 405, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006, phone (202) 293-7776 or visit the Board's website at www.stb.dot.gov.

By the Board, Victoria J. Rutson, Acting Chief, Section of Environmental Analysis.

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34063]

Dallas Area Rapid Transit—Acquisition Exemption—Lines of Union Pacific Railroad Company

Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART), a political subdivision of the State of Texas, a Class III rail carrier, has filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to acquire (by purchase) pursuant to an agreement entered into with Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP), as indicated in its notice, approximately 60.78 miles of rail line in Collin, Dallas, Denton, Grayson and Rockwall Counties, TX, as follows: (1) The segment of the Denton Subdivision between approximately milepost K-741.3 (Frankford Road) in Carrollton and approximately milepost K-729.5 in Lake Dallas (approximately 11.8 miles); (2) the segment of the Sherman Subdivision between approximately milepost 285.1 (Spring Creek Parkway) in Plano and approximately milepost 324.7 at South Sherman Junction (approximately 39.6 miles); (3) the Rowlett Extension between approximately milepost 745.5 (near Kirby Road) in Rowlett and approximately milepost 741.3 in Rockwall (approximately 4.2 miles); (4)

¹¹ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).