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Comments regarding this policy review should refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document. Written comments may be submitted to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL–401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. (Due to current U.S. Postal Service (U.S.P.S.) delivery problems in Washington, DC, commenters are urged to use one of the following: mail via non-U.S.P.S. delivery service (e.g. FedEx, UPS, DHL etc.); or fax their comment to MARAD at 202/366–9206; or use electronic filing as explained below). Comments may also be submitted by electronic means via the Internet at http://dmses.dot.gov/submit. All comments received will be available for examination at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. An electronic version of this document is available on the World Wide Web at http://dms.dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Some experts are predicting a possible marine threat, either as a means or as a target or both, if another terrorist attack were to occur against the U.S. In light of this and the September 11th events, the Maritime Administration (MARAD, we, our, or us) believes it should revisit the existing inland/Great Lakes war risk insurance waiver policy and requests public comment on whether we should change our current waiver policy. We have the authority to rescind or revise the existing waiver policy and to impose the full war risk cover on all Title XI vessels if we determine that it is now necessary.

Currently, we waive the Security Agreement requirement for commercial war risk hull and Protection and Indemnity insurance on Title XI mortgaged vessels operated exclusively on the Inland Rivers and INTERCOASTAL WATERWAYS OF THE UNITED STATES AND ON THE GREAT LAKES

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB–511 (Sub–No. 2X)]

Central Railroad Company of Indianapolis—Discontinuance Exemption—In Grant County, IN

On October 10, 2001, the Central Railroad Company of Indianapolis (CERA) 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 discontinue service over a 5.22-mile line of railroad, known as the Marion Branch, between milepost TS–152.22, near Marion, and milepost TS–157.44, near West Marion Belt, in Grant County, IN.1 The discontinuance includes 0.3 miles of trackage rights over Pennsylvania Lines LLC (PL) between PL milepost MP–78.3 and milepost MP–78.6.2 The line traverses U.S. Postal Service Zip Codes 46952 and 46953. It