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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathleen Dunn, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, MAR-832 Room 7201, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202-366-2307.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title V of Pub. L. 105-383 provides authority to the Secretary of Transportation to administratively waive the U.S.-build requirements of the Jones Act, and other statutes, for small commercial passenger vessels (no more than 12 passengers). This authority has been delegated to the Maritime Administration per 49 CFR 1.66, Delegations to the Maritime Administrator, as amended. By this notice, MARAD is publishing information on a vessel for which a request for a U.S.-build waiver has been received, and for which MARAD requests comments from interested parties. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in 388.4 of MARAD'S regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

Vessel Proposed for Waiver of the U.S.-build Requirement

(1) Name of vessel and owner for which waiver is requested. Name of vessel: PEZ VELA. Owner: John and Delilah Carroll.

(2) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel. According to the Certificate of Documentation: "Gross 16, Net 13, Length 42.8, Breadth 13.1, Depth 4.5."

(3) Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. According to the applicant: "six (6) pack sport fishing charters" "Cabo San Lucas, Mexico to Santa Barbara, California."

(4) Date and Place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. Date of construction: 1973. Place of construction: Unknown per Certificate of Documentation.

(5) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on other commercial passenger vessel operators. According to the applicant: "Estimation of impact to fishing charter fleet industry little to none San Diego has a very large market for sport fishing and all available boats are usually 80 to 90 percent booked prior to start of fishing season."

(6) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on U.S. shipyards. According to the applicant: "No impact expectation from such a small operation of one (1) boat."

Dated: November 6, 2001.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Research and Special Programs Administration

International Standards on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; Public Meetings

AGENCY: Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice is to advise interested persons that RSPA will conduct a public meeting in preparation for the twentieth session of the United Nation's Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (UNSCOE) to be held December 5-11, 2001 in Geneva, Switzerland.

DATES: November 28, 2001 9:30 AM-12:30 PM, Room 6200-6204.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at DOT Headquarters, Nassif Building, Room 6200-6204, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bob Richard, International Standards Coordinator, Office of Hazardous Materials Safety, Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590; (202) 366-0656.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The primary purpose of the meeting will be to prepare and discuss positions for the twentieth session of the UNSCOE. Topics to be covered during the public meeting will include (1) Criteria for Environmentally Hazardous Substances, (2) Intermodal requirements for the transport of solids in bulk containers, (3) Harmonized requirements for compressed gas cylinders, (4) Portable tank requirements, (5) Classification of individual substances, (6) Requirements for packagings used to transport hazardous materials, (7) Requirements for infectious substances, and (8) Hazard communication requirements.

The public is invited to attend without prior notification.

Documents

Copies of documents for the UNSCOE meeting may be obtained by downloading them for the United Nations Transport Division's Web site at <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgsubc/c3doc.html>. Information

concerning UN dangerous goods meetings including agendas can be downloaded at <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgsubc/c3.html>. These sites may also be accessed through RSPA's Hazardous Materials Safety homepage at <http://hazmat.dot.gov/intstandards.htm>. RSPA's site provides information regarding the UNSCOE and the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling for Chemicals, a summary of decisions taken at the 21st session of the UN Committee of Experts, meeting dates and a summary of the primary topics which are to be addressed in the 2001-2002 biennium.

Issued in Washington, DC, on November 6, 2001.

Robert A. McGuire,

Associate Administrator, for Hazardous Materials Safety.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34123]

B&H Rail Corp.—Lease and Operation Exemption—Livonia, Avon & Lakeville Railroad Corporation and Norfolk Southern Railway Company

B&H Rail Corp. (B&H), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to acquire and operate two rail lines in Steuben County, NY, as follows: (1) B&H will acquire, by assignment, all of the contractual operating rights of Livonia, Avon & Lakeville Railroad Corporation (LAL) over an approximately 34.03-mile rail line that extends between approximately milepost 8.68, at Hammondsport, and approximately milepost 0.85, at Bath (which is also designated as approximately milepost 285.10), and from that point to approximately 311.3 in Wayland,¹ and (2) B&H will sublease from Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR) an approximately 17.08-mile connecting rail line that extends between approximately milepost 285.10, at Bath,

¹ The Steuben County Industrial Development Authority owns the 34.03-mile rail line (SCIDA line). LAL's operation of the SCIDA line was previously exempted by the Board in *Livonia, Avon & Lakeville Railroad Corp.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Steuben County Industrial Development Agency*, STB Finance Docket No. 32941 (STB served May 22, 1996). B&H states that it has operated the SCIDA line (under its former name, Conhocton Valley Railroad Corporation) as LAL's contract operator since January of 2001.

and approximately milepost 268.02, at Painted Post.²

The parties report that they intend to consummate the transaction on or soon after the effective date of the exemption. The earliest the transaction could be consummated was November 2, 2001 (7 days after the exemption was filed).

This transaction is related to STB Finance Docket No. 34124, *Livonia, Avon & Lakeville Railroad Corporation—Continuance in Control Exemption—B&H Rail Corp.*, wherein LAL has concurrently filed a petition for exemption from the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323 to control B&H once B&H consummates the transaction in STB Finance Docket No. 34123 and becomes a Class III rail carrier. The stock of B&H has been placed in an independent, irrevocable voting trust pursuant to 49 CFR 1013 in order to avoid an unlawful control violation pending a Board decision in STB Finance Docket No. 34124.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. Petitions to reopen the proceeding to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the transaction.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34123, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Kevin M. Sheys, Esq., Kirkpatrick & Lockhart, LLP, 1800 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Second Floor, Washington, DC 20036.

Board decisions and notices are available on our website at www.stb.dot.gov.

Decided: November 2, 2001.

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

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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² The 17.08-mile rail line is owned by Pennsylvania Lines LLC, and currently operated by NSR.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Fiscal Service

Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds: Termination—Far West Insurance Company

AGENCY: Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is Supplement No. 11 to the Treasury Department Circular 570; 2001 Revision, published July 2, 2001 at 66 FR 35024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Surety Bond Branch at (202) 874-6507.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that the Certificate of Authority issued by the Treasury to the above named Company, under the United States Code, Title 31, Sections 9304-9308, to qualify as an acceptable surety on Federal bonds is terminated effective today.

The Company was last listed as an acceptable surety on Federal bonds at 66 FR 35036, July 2, 2001.

With respect to any bonds, including continuous bonds, currently in force with above listed Company, bond-approving officers should secure new bonds with acceptable sureties in those instances where a significant amount of liability remains outstanding. In addition, in no event, should bonds that are continuous in nature be renewed.

The Circular may be viewed and downloaded through the Internet at <http://www.fms.treas.gov/c570/index.html>. A hard copy may be purchased from the Government Printing Office (GPO), Subscription Service, Washington, DC, telephone (202) 512-1800. When ordering the Circular from GPO, use the following stock number: 769-004-04067-1.

Questions concerning this notice may be directed to the U.S. Department of Treasury, Financial Management Service, Financial Accounting and Services Division, Surety Bond Branch, 3700 East-West Highway, Room 6A04, Hyattsville, MD 20782.

Dated: November 2, 2001.

Wanda J. Rogers,

Acting Assistant Commissioner, Financial Operations, Financial Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Fiscal Service

Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds: Amendment—United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company

AGENCY: Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is Supplement No. 10 to the Treasury Department Circular 570; 2001 Revision, published July 2, 2001, at 66 FR 35024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Surety Bond Branch at (202) 874-6915.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The underwriting limitation for United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, which was listed in the Treasury Department Circular 570, July 2, 2001, is hereby amended to read \$89,596,000.

Federal bond-approving officers should annotate their reference copies of Treasury Circular 570, 2001 Revision, at 66 FR 35058 to reflect this change, effective today.

The Circular may be viewed and downloaded through the Internet (<http://www.fms.treas.gov/c570/index.html>). A hard copy may be purchased from the Government Printing Office (GPO), subscription Service, Washington, DC, telephone (202) 512-1800. When ordering the Circular from GPO, use the following stock number: 769-004-04067-1.

Questions concerning this Notice may be directed to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Financial Management Service, Funds Management Division, Surety Bond Branch, 3700 East-West Highway, Room 6A04, Hyattsville, MD 20782.

Dated: November 1, 2001.

Wanda J. Rogers,

Director, Financial Accounting and Services Division, Financial Management Service.

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