

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The nature of the information collection is described as well as its expected burden. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on August 24, 2001. One comment was received. The writer indicated enforcement of U.S. citizenship requirements is necessary in order to protect current and future investment in U.S.-flag tonnage by U.S. citizens.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before December 20, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Philip Budwick,
Maritime Administration, MAR-222, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-5167 or FAX: 202-366-7485. Copies of this collection can also be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maritime Administration (MARAD).

Title: Requirements for Establishing U.S. Citizenship (46 CFR part 355).

OMB Control Number: 2133-0012.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Shipowners, Charterers, Equity Owners, Ship Managers.

Form(s): Special Format.

Abstract: In accordance with 46 CFR part 355, shipowners, charterers, equity owners, ship managers, etc., seeking benefits provided by statute are required to provide on an annual basis, an Affidavit of U.S. Citizenship to the Maritime Administration (MARAD) for analysis. The Affidavits of U.S. Citizenship filed with MARAD will be reviewed to determine if the applicants are eligible to participate in the programs offered by the agency.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 1500 hours.

Addressee: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention MARAD Desk Officer.

Comments Are Invited On: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the

information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Issued in Washington, DC on November 14, 2001.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34086 (Sub-No. 1)]

The Columbia and Cowlitz Railway Company—Trackage Rights Exemption—The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of exemption.

SUMMARY: The Board, under 49 U.S.C. 10502, exempts the trackage rights described in STB Finance Docket No. 34086¹ to permit the trackage rights to expire, as they relate to the operations extending between Rocky Point and Longview, on March 1, 2002.

DATES: This exemption is effective on December 20, 2001. Petitions to reopen must be filed by December 10, 2001.

ADDRESSES: An original and 10 copies of all pleadings referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34086 (Sub-No. 1) must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, NW.,

¹ On August 27, 2001, The Columbia and Cowlitz Railway Company (CLC) filed a notice of exemption under the Board's class exemption procedures at 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(7). The notice covered the trackage rights agreement (agreement) by The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) to grant temporary overhead trackage rights to CLC over BNSF's line between Rocky Point, WA (BNSF milepost 95.8), and Longview, WA (BNSF milepost 101.1), a distance of 5.3 miles. See *The Columbia and Cowlitz Railway Company—Trackage Rights Exemption—The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company*, STB Finance Docket No. 34086 (STB served Sept. 14, 2001). The agreement is scheduled to expire on March 1, 2002. The trackage rights operations under the exemption were scheduled to be consummated on September 3, 2001.

Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of all pleadings must be served on petitioner's representative Stephen L. Day, Esq., Betts Patterson Mines, P.S., One Convention Place, 701 Pike Street, Suite 1400, Seattle, WA 98101-3927.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joseph H. Dettmar, (202) 565-1600. (TDD for the hearing impaired: 1 (800) 877-8339.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Additional information is contained in the Board's decision. To purchase a copy of the full decision, write to, call, or pick up in person from: Dã 2 Dã Legal, Suite 405, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006. Telephone: (202) 293-7776. (Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through TDD services 1 (800) 877-8339.)

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Decided: November 9, 2001.

By the Board, Chairman Morgan, Vice Chairman Clyburn, and Commissioner Burkes.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34088 (Sub-No. 1)]

The Columbia and Cowlitz Railway Company—Trackage Rights Exemption—The Longview Switching Company

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of exemption.

SUMMARY: The Board, under 49 U.S.C. 10502, exempts the trackage rights described in STB Finance Docket No. 34088¹ to permit the trackage rights to expire, as they relate to the operations

¹ On August 27, 2001, The Columbia and Cowlitz Railway Company (CLC) filed a notice of exemption under the Board's class exemption procedures at 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(7). The notice covered the trackage rights agreement (agreement) by The Longview Switching Company (LSC) to grant temporary overhead trackage rights to CLC over LSC's line between Columbia Junction, WA, and Longview Junction, WA. See *The Columbia and Cowlitz Railway Company—Trackage Rights Exemption—The Longview Switching Company*, STB Finance Docket No. 34088 (STB served Sept. 14, 2001). The agreement is scheduled to expire on March 1, 2002. The trackage rights operations under the exemption were scheduled to be consummated on September 3, 2001.

extending between Columbia Junction and Longview Junction, on March 1, 2002.

DATES: This exemption is effective on December 20, 2001. Petitions to reopen must be filed by December 10, 2001.

ADDRESSES: An original and 10 copies of all pleadings referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34088 (Sub-No. 1) 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 all pleadings must be served on petitioner's representative Stephen L. Day, Esq., Betts Patterson Mines, P.S., One Convention Place, 701 Pike Street, Suite 1400, Seattle, WA 98101-3927.

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Decided: November 9, 2001.

By the Board, Chairman Morgan, Vice Chairman Clyburn, and Commissioner Burkes.

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34114]

Yolo Shortline Railroad Company— Lease and Operation Exemption—Port of Sacramento

Yolo Shortline Railroad Company (Yolo), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to lease from the Port of Sacramento (Port) and to operate approximately 3.1 miles of rail line (known as the Sacramento-Yolo Port Belt Railroad) in West Sacramento, CA. The Port granted Yolo exclusive occupancy and operating rights on

portions of the Port's trackage.¹ The rail lines extend from: (1) Engineer's Station 0.0 to Engineer's Station 24+62; (2) Engineer's Station 39+88 to Engineer's Station 62+29; and (3) Engineer's Station 107+33 to Engineer's Station 149+44. Yolo certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not result in the creation of a Class II or Class I rail carrier.

The transaction was expected to be consummated on or about October 31, 2001.

If the notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. Petitions 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. 34114, 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 Mr. David Magaw, President, Yolo Shortline Railroad Company, 341 Industrial Way, Woodland, CA 95776.

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Decided: November 6, 2001.

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

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 185X)]

Union Pacific Railroad Company— Abandonment Exemption—in Pulaski County, AR

Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) has filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments and Discontinuances of Service and Trackage Rights* to abandon a 0.63-mile rail line over the Junction

¹Port states that, in West Sacramento, it owns and maintains approximately 8 miles of railroad trackage of which it is leasing approximately 3.1 miles to Yolo. The remainder of the trackage is spurs and sidings within the Port's fenced-in industrial area that serves the Port and its various tenants and customers. The Port will retain the control and maintenance of its trackage within the fenced area of the Port's property, and Yolo will be the rail carrier providing direct service to the Port.

Bridge Line from milepost 343.65 to milepost 343.02, and a 2.1-mile rail line over the Rock Street Industrial Lease from the Amtrak connection near milepost 345.3 to milepost 347.4 near E. 6th Street, a total distance of 2.73 miles, in Pulaski County, Little Rock, AR. The lines traverse United States Postal Service Zip Codes 66607 and 66612.

UP has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) the lines have a history of limited erratic use as an overhead route, but all such traffic can be rerouted over other UP rail lines in the area; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the line (or by a state or local government entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the line either is pending with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) or with any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of complainant within the 2-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.7 (environmental reports), 49 CFR 1105.8 (historic reports), 49 CFR 1105.11 (transmittal letter), 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication), and 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice to governmental agencies) have been met.

As a condition to this exemption, any employee adversely affected by the abandonment and discontinuance shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line R. Co.—Abandonment—Goshen*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979). To address whether this condition adequately protects affected employees, a petition for partial revocation under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) must be filed. Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) has been received, this exemption will be effective on December 20, 2001, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues,¹ formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2),² and trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by November 30, 2001. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by December 10, 2001, with: Surface Transportation

¹ The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption's effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Service Rail Lines*, 5 I.C.C.2d 377 (1989). Any request for a stay should be filed as soon as possible so that the Board may take appropriate action before the exemption's effective date.

² Each offer of financial assistance must be accompanied by the filing fee, which currently is set at \$1000. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).