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Joel C. Richard,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34139]

Butler County, Kansas—Acquisition Exemption—The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company

Butler County, Kansas (County), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to acquire (by donation) approximately 10.6 miles of rail line from The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF).¹ The line is located between milepost 483.62, at Augusta, KS, and milepost 494.22 near Andover, KS. The County certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not result in its becoming a Class II or Class I rail carrier. The County further certifies that

¹ The County states that the line is currently out of service and will be rehabilitated after the acquisition is consummated. The County further states that it is its intent to have the above line operated by a yet-to-be determined third party rail operator. Anticipated rail operations by a third party over BNSF's trackage are subject to the Board's approval or exemption.

its annual freight revenues as a result of this transaction will not exceed \$5 million.

The transaction was expected to be consummated on or shortly after December 19, 2001, the effective date of the exemption.

If this 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 does not automatically stay the transaction.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34139, 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 Karl Morell, Ball Janik LLP, Suite 225, 1455 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005.

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Decided: January 3, 2002.

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 Finance Docket No. 34160]

Union Pacific Railroad Company—Trackage Rights Exemption—The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company

The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) has agreed to grant temporary overhead trackage rights to Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) over approximately 129 miles of BNSF's Ft. Worth Subdivision between BNSF milepost 6.1, near Ft. Worth, TX, and BNSF milepost 218.1, near Temple, TX.¹

The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on or after January 3, 2002. The temporary trackage rights will

¹ On December 27, 2001, UP concurrently filed a petition for exemption in STB Finance Docket No. 34160 (Sub-No. 1), *Union Pacific Railroad Company—Trackage Rights Exemption—The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company*, wherein UP requests that the Board permit the proposed temporary overhead trackage rights arrangement described in the present proceeding to expire on or about February 23, 2002. That petition will be addressed by the Board in a separate decision.

facilitate maintenance work on UP's lines.

As a condition to this exemption, any employees affected by the trackage rights will be protected by the conditions imposed in *Norfolk and Western Ry. Co.—Trackage Rights—BN*, 354 I.C.C. 605 (1978), as modified in *Mendocino Coast Ry., Inc.—Lease and Operate*, 360 I.C.C. 653 (1980).

This notice is filed under 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(7). If it 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. 34160, 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, one copy of each pleading must be served on Robert T. Opal, Esq., Union Pacific Railroad Company, 1416 Dodge Street, Room 830, Omaha, NE 68179.

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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 Finance Docket No. 34143]

Keokuk Junction Railway Co.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—West End of the Toledo, Peoria and Western Railway Corporation

Keokuk Junction Railway Co. (KJRY), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to acquire and operate approximately 12.1 miles of rail line owned by Toledo, Peoria and Western Railway Corporation (TP&W), plus 15.5 miles of incidental trackage rights over The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) between Lomax, IL, and Fort Madison, IA.¹ The

¹ The County of McDonough, City of Macomb, and Joseph C. Szabo filed a petition on December 18, 2001, to stay the effectiveness of this exemption and to stay the operation of the exemptions in *SF&L*

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line to be acquired extends from milepost 194.5 near La Harpe, IL, to milepost 206.6 near Lomax, IL. The incidental trackage rights extend over BNSF's line between milepost 218.5 near Lomax and milepost 234.0 near Fort Madison, and tracks numbered 66, 37, 65, 125, 84, 81, 70, 38, 233, 185, 251,

Railway, Inc.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Toledo, Peoria and Western Railway Corporation Between La Harpe and Peoria, IL, STB Finance Docket No. 33995, and Kern W. Schumacher and Morris H. Kulmer—Continuance in Control Exemption—SF&L Railway, Inc., STB Finance Docket No. 33996. The petition to stay was denied in Keokuk Junction Railway Company—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—West End of Toledo, Peoria and Western Railway Corporation, STB Finance Docket No. 34143, SF&L Railway, Inc.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Toledo, Peoria and Western Railway Corporation Between La Harpe And Peoria, IL, STB Finance Docket No. 33995, and Kern W. Schumacher and Morris H. Kulmer—Continuance in Control Exemption—SF&L Railway, Inc., STB Finance Docket No. 33996 (STB served Dec. 26, 2001).

181, 182, 259, 90, 91, 151, 366, 260, 261, and 344 or portions thereof in BNSF's Fort Madison Yard (formerly Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Yard), plus North and South main line tracks between milepost 234.0 and milepost 236.5. KJRY states that it has entered into an agreement to buy certain assets, rights and obligations of TP&W referenced in this proceeding. KJRY certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not result in the creation of a Class I or Class II rail carrier.

The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on or after December 19, 2001, the effective date of the exemption.

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. 34143, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on William A. Mullins, 401 Ninth Street, N.W., Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20004.

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Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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