

the Coastwise Trade Laws for the vessel NICOLLE.

SUMMARY: As authorized by Public Law 105-383, the Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a description of the proposed service, is listed below. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines that in accordance with Public Law 105-383 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388 (65 FR 6905; February 11, 2000) that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels, a waiver will not be granted.

DATES: Submit comments on or before April 1, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2002-11691. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, Department of Transportation, 400 7th St., SW, Washington, DC 20590-0001. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at <http://dmses.dot.gov/submit/>. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available on the World Wide Web at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

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 Public Law 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:* Nicolle. *Owner:* Thomas M. LaFreniere.

(2) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel. *According to the applicant:* “* * * 39.6 feet long with a 14 foot beam, and a depth of 4 feet * * * gross tonnage is 29 tons * * *”

(3) Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. *According to the applicant:* “* * * evening, single day, or week-end charters which involve sunset viewing, and exploring local harbors and islands. The region in which I would like to operate is the coastal waters of New England, specifically between Gloucester and Boston.”

(4) Date and Place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. *Date of construction:* 1987. *Place of construction:* Taiwan.

(5) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on other commercial passenger vessel operators. *According to the applicant:* “Considering the type of activities, and the area in which to conduct them, I am confident this waiver will have no adverse effects upon commercial passenger vessel operators. The vessels currently operating in my area are: Large whale watch vessels, commercial fishing vessels, large fishing charter vessels, and sport-fishing charter vessels.”

(6) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on U.S. shipyards. *According to the applicant:* “Granting this waiver will not adversely affect the business of U.S. shipbuilders. However, not granting this waiver will, as it is my intention to start my operation using NICOLLE as a means to fund the purchase of a U.S. built sailing vessel.”

Dated: February 26, 2002.

By order of the Maritime Administrator.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 186X)]

Union Pacific Railroad Company— Abandonment Exemption—in Martin County, MN

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 1.83-mile rail line over the Trimont Industrial Lead from milepost 140.57 to milepost 142.4 near Trimont, in Martin County, MN. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Code 56176.

UP has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) there is no overhead traffic on the line; (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 April 2, 2002, 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

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.

1152.27(c)(2),² and trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by March 11, 2002. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by March 21, 2002 with: Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423.

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to applicant's representative: Mack H. Shumate, Jr., Senior General Attorney, Union Pacific Railroad Company, 101 North Wacker Drive, Room 1920, Chicago, IL 60606.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*.

UP has filed an environmental report which addresses the effects, if any, of the abandonment and discontinuance on the environment and historic resources. SEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by March 8, 2002. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA by writing to SEA (Room 500, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423) or by calling SEA, at (202) 565-1552. Comments on environmental and historic preservation matters must be filed within 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public.

Environmental, historic preservation, public use, or trail use/rail banking

conditions will be imposed, where appropriate, in a subsequent decision.

Pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), UP shall file a notice of consummation with the Board to signify that it has exercised the authority granted and fully abandoned its line. If consummation has not been effected by UP's filing of a notice of consummation by March 1, 2003, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

Board decisions and notices are available on our website at "WWW.STB.DOT.GOV."

Decided: February 21, 2002.

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

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

February 20, 2002.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before April 1, 2002, to be assured of consideration.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-1626.

Form Number: IRS Form 1065-B and Schedule K-1 .

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: U.S. Return of Income for Electing Large Partnerships (Form 1065-B); and Partner's Share of Income (Loss) From an Electing Large Partnership (Schedule K-1).

Description: Code sections 771-777 allow large partnerships to elect to file a simplified return which requires fewer items to be reported to partners.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, farms.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 100.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper:

| Form | Recordkeeping | Learning about the law or the form | Preparing the form | Copying, assembling, and sending the form to the IRS |
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| Form 1065-B Schedule K-1 (Form 6065-B). | 50 hr., 22 min 10 hr., 10 min | 21 hr., 1 min 7 hr., 49 min | 32 hr., 6 min 11 hr., 56 min. | 2 hr., 40 min. |

Frequency of Response: Annually.
Estimated Total Reporting/Recordkeeping Burden: 456,151 hours.
OMB Number: 1545-1756.
Revenue Procedure Number: Revenue Procedure 2001-56.

Type of Review: Extension.
Title: Demonstration Automobile Use.
Description: This revenue procedure provides optional simplified methods for determining the value of the sue of demonstration automobiles provided to employees by automobile dealerships.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.
Estimated Number of Recordkeepers: 20,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Recordkeeper: 5 hours.
Estimated Total Recordkeeping Burden: 100,000 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-1758.
Form Number: IRS Form 8879.

Type of Review: Extension.
Title: IRS e-file Signature Authorization.

Description: Form 8879 is used to allow taxpayers to authorize the Electronic Return Originators to enter the taxpayer's PIN on the electronically filed tax return.

Respondents: Individuals or households.
Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 8,000,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper: Learning about the law or the form—8 min. Preparing the form—15 min.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Total Reporting/Recordkeeping Burden: 5,440,000 hours.
OMB Number: 1545-1760.

Form Number: IRS Form 1099-Q.
Type of Review: Extension.
Title: Qualified Tuition Program Payments (Under Section 529).

Description: Form 1099-Q is used to report distributions from private and state qualified tuition programs as required under Internal Revenue Code section 529.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.
Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 150.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper: 11 minutes.
Frequency of Response: Annually.
Estimated Total Reporting/Recordkeeping Burden: 28,500 hours.

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).