

(b) Task Statement 31, concerning manning on vessels engaged in domestic service.

(c) Task Statement 32, concerning updating ARPA and radar observer training.

(3) *Other items to be discussed:*

(a) Standing Committee—Prevention Through People.

(b) Other items brought up for discussion by the committee or the public.

#### Procedural

Both meetings are open to the public. Please note that the meetings may adjourn early if all business is finished. At the Chair's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meetings. If you would like to make an oral presentation at a meeting, please notify the Executive Director no later than March 26, 2002. Written material for distribution at a meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than March 26, 2002. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee or subcommittee in advance of the meeting, please submit 25 copies to the Executive Director no later than March 26, 2002.

#### Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meetings, contact the Assistant Executive Director as soon as possible.

Dated: March 6, 2002.

**Howard L. Hime,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) received a request for a waiver of compliance with certain requirements of its safety standards. The individual petition is described below, including the party seeking relief, the regulatory provisions involved, the nature of the relief being requested, and the petitioner's arguments in favor of relief.

#### Boone and Scenic Valley Railroad

[Docket Number FRA-2001-10817]

The Boone and Scenic Valley Railroad seeks a waiver of compliance, number FRA-2001-10817, from the Inspection and Maintenance Standards for Steam Locomotives, 49 CFR Part 230, published November 17, 1999. Section 230.3(c) of the standards requires steam locomotives having flue tubes replaced prior to September 25, 1995, have a 1,472 service day inspection [49 CFR 230.17] performed prior to being allowed to operate under the requirements. The Boone and Scenic Valley Railroad seeks this waiver for one locomotive, number JS 8419, which had the flue tubes replaced and was returned to service in 1998. The Boone and Scenic Valley Railroad was unaware of the requirement to file for special consideration and failed to meet the cut off filing date of January 18, 2001.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2001-10817) and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PL-401, Washington, DC 20590. Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.-5 p.m.) at the above facility. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the Internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Notice of Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System or Relief From the Requirements

Pursuant to Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 235 and 49 U.S.C. App. 26, the following railroads have petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval for the discontinuance or modification of the signal system or relief from the requirements of 49 CFR part 236 as detailed below.

[Docket No. FRA-2002-11371]

*Applicant:* CSX Transportation, Inc., Mr. Gregory C. Martin, Ph.D., P.E., Chief Mechanical Officer, Engineering and Quality Assurance, 500 Water Street J344, Jacksonville, Florida 32202.

CSX Transportation, Incorporated seeks relief from the requirements of the Rules, Standards and Instructions, Title 49 CFR part 236 § 236.586, to the extent that a visual inspection of the track receiver bars and associated conduit, in the winter months on locomotives equipped with Ultra Cab cab signal equipment, not be required if track receiver bars are packed with ice and snow.

Applicant's justification for relief: Ultra Cab equipment has a cab signal self test feature which checks to see if the cab signal track receiver bars are in the circuit. It verifies the track receiver bars and associated wiring are not open or shorted and that it can pass 100 Hz through them. Removal of snow and ice is very time consuming and labor intensive. In some instances, this is almost impossible, unless the locomotive is shopped in a warm shop to thaw. CSX does not believe having to go to this extreme to satisfy a rule was the intent of the FRA.

Any interested party desiring to protest the granting of an application shall set forth specifically the grounds upon which the protest is made, and contain a concise statement of the interest of the party in the proceeding. Additionally, one copy of the protest shall be furnished to the applicant at the address listed above.

All communications concerning this proceeding should be identified by the docket number and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PI-401, Washington, DC 20590-0001. Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by the FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after

that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.—5 p.m.) at DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PI-401 (Plaza Level), 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FRA expects to be able to determine these matters without an oral hearing. However, if a specific request for an oral hearing is accompanied by a showing that the party is unable to adequately present his or her position by written statements, an application may be set for public hearing.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Notice of Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System or Relief From Requirements

Pursuant to Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 235 and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), the following railroads have petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval for the discontinuance or modification of the signal system or relief from the requirements of 49 CFR part 236 as detailed below.

[Docket Number FRA-2002-11415]

*Applicant:* Union Pacific Railroad Company, Mr. Phil M. Abaray, Chief Engineer—Signals, 1416 Dodge Street, Room 1000, Omaha, Nebraska 68179-1000.

Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) seeks approval of the proposed discontinuance and removal of two automatic signals; one approach "D" signal, and conversion of an automatic signal to an operative "D" signal. The two westbound automatic signals that are proposed to be removed are approach signals to a controlled signal that governs train movements from the Julesburg branch onto the UP main line at Julesburg, Colorado. The eastbound automatic signal is proposed to be converted to an operative "D" signal. These signals are located at M.P. 0.7 on

the Julesburg Subdivision. The eastbound "D" signal that is proposed to be removed is located at M.P. 2.0.

The reason given for the proposed changes is due to decreased traffic from the Julesburg branch, the signals are no longer needed.

Any interested party desiring to protest the granting of an application shall set forth specifically the grounds upon which the protest is made, and contain a concise statement of the interest of the party in the proceeding. Additionally, one copy of the protest shall be furnished to the applicant at the address listed above.

All communications concerning this proceeding should be identified by the docket number and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PI-401, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by the FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.—5 p.m.) at DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PI-401 (Plaza Level), 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Notice of Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System or Relief From Requirements

Pursuant to Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 235 and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), the following railroads have petitioned the Federal Railroad

Administration (FRA) seeking approval for the discontinuance or modification of the signal system or relief from the requirements of 49 CFR part 236 as detailed below.

#### Docket Number FRA-2002-11414

*Applicant:* Union Pacific Railroad Company, Mr. Phil M. Abaray, Chief Engineer—Signals, 1416 Dodge Street, Room 1000, Omaha, Nebraska 68179-1000.

Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) seeks approval of the proposed discontinuance and removal of a switch machine, power-operated derail and four controlled signals; 163L, 163R, 164L, and 164R, at Cyanamid, Louisiana, M.P. 16.5, on the Livonia Subdivision.

The reason given for the proposed changes is that these signals protected a crossover switch location that had been retired at an earlier time. Due to removal of the crossover and decrease in traffic on the spur caused by removal of connection to a foreign railroad, the control point is no longer needed. The mainline signals are being retired to eliminate a short block between the existing location and a controlled power switch location at M.P. 17.1.

Any interested party desiring to protest the granting of an application shall set forth specifically the grounds upon which the protest is made, and contain a concise statement of the interest of the party in the proceeding. Additionally, one copy of the protest shall be furnished to the applicant at the address listed above.

All communications concerning this proceeding should be identified by the docket number and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PI-401, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by the FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.—5 p.m.) at DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PI-401 (Plaza Level), 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the Internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FRA expects to be able to determine these matters without an oral hearing. However, if a specific request for an oral hearing is accompanied by a showing that the party is unable to adequately