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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

**Environmental Impact Statement:
Oakland County, MI**

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement will be prepared for the I-75 Oakland County Planning/Environmental Study.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

James A. Kirschensteiner, Assistant Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, 315 West Allegan Street, Room 207, Lansing, Michigan 48933, Telephone: (517) 702-1835, Fax: 377-1804, email james.kirschensteiner@fhwa.dot.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Michigan Department of Transportation, will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on a proposal to add an additional through travel lane in each direction on I-75 between 8-Mile Road and M-59 to bring the total number of through travel lanes to four in each direction, together with other improvements. Improvements are considered necessary to provide for improved travel on I-75, which is already highly congested through much of the day. The EIS will include the evaluation of recommendations from the previous I-75 Corridor Feasibility Study (November 2000), including a through analysis of transit alternatives utilizing the Southeast Michigan Council of governments (SEMCOG) Transit Vision and the 1999 Southeast Michigan High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Feasibility Study. The Feasibility Study recommended the addition of a fourth lane in those areas where it is needed to provide four through lanes, improving several interchanges, and implementing intelligent transportation systems (ITS) throughout the corridor.

Alternatives under consideration include (1) taking no action; (2) providing mass transit; (3) implementing transportation system management and/or transportation demand management techniques; (4) developing the proposed lanes for use

either all day or during a portion of the day by high occupancy vehicles (carpools, vanpool, and buses) only; and (5) developing normal, unrestricted freeway travel lanes.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate federal, state, and local agencies, and to private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have an interest in this proposal. Five rounds of public meetings were held during the Feasibility Study phase during 1999 and 2000. Additional meetings and a public hearing are planned. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the hearing(s). The draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing. NO formal scoping meeting is planned at this time.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation of Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

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James J. Steele,

Division Administrator Lansing, Michigan.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

[STB Finance Docket No. 34206]

**Permian Basin Railways, Inc.—
Continuance in Control Exemption—
West Texas and Lubbock Railway
Company, Inc. and Austin &
Northwestern Railroad Company, Inc.**

Permian Basin Railways, Inc. (Permian), a noncarrier holding company, has filed a verified notice of exemption to (1) acquire control through stock purchase of Austin & Northwestern Railroad Company, Inc. (Austin),¹ a Class III rail carrier, and (2) continue in control of Austin and West Texas and Lubbock Railway Company,

Inc. (Railway), upon Railway's becoming a Class III railroad.

This transaction was scheduled to be consummated on or after the May 24, 2002 effective date of the exemption, 7 days after the exemption was filed.

This transaction is related to STB Docket No. 34205, *West Texas and Lubbock Railway Company, Inc.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—West Texas Lubbock Railroad Company, Inc.*, wherein Railway seeks to acquire and operate approximately 107 miles of rail line by lease (with a future purchase option) and assumption of trackage rights from West Texas Lubbock Railroad Company, Inc.

Permian states that: (i) The railroads will not connect with each other or any railroads in their corporate family; (ii) the continuance in control is not part of a series of anticipated transactions that would connect the railroads with each other or any railroad in their corporate family; and (iii) the transaction does not involve a Class I carrier.

Therefore, the transaction is exempt from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323. See 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2).

Under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), the Board may not use its exemption authority to relieve a rail carrier of its statutory obligation to protect the interests of its employees. Section 11326(c), however, does not provide for labor protection for transactions under sections 11324 and 11325 that involve only Class III rail carriers. Because this transaction involves Class III rail carriers only, the Board, under the statute, may not impose labor protective conditions for this transaction.

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. 34206, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on John D. Heffner, 555 12th Street, NW., Suite 950N, Washington, DC 20004.

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Decided: June 7, 2002.

¹ See *Austin & Northwestern Railroad Company, Inc.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Missouri Pacific Railroad Company*, Finance Docket No. 31444 (ICC served May 22, 1989).

By the Board, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.
Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

[STB Finance Docket No. 34205]

West Texas and Lubbock Railway Company, Inc.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—West Texas and Lubbock Railroad Company, Inc.

West Texas and Lubbock Railway Company, Inc. (Railway), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to acquire by lease (with a future purchase option) and operate two rail lines owned by the West Texas and Lubbock Railroad Company, Inc. (Railroad): (1) Between milepost 06.3 on the outskirts of Lubbock and the end of the line at milepost 63.8 at Seagraves; and (2) between milepost 3.2 at Lubbock and milepost 38.9 at Whiteface. In addition, Railway will acquire by assignment approximately 5 miles of trackage rights which Railroad presently holds over The Burlington and Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) between BNSF milepost 83.6 at Broadview and BNSF milepost 88.6 at Canyon Junction in the vicinity of Lubbock. These trackage rights shall be used for the purpose of interchange only. The total trackage involved is approximately 107 miles.¹

Railway certifies that its projected annual revenues will not exceed those that would qualify it as a Class III rail carrier and that its annual revenues are not projected to exceed \$5 million.

The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on or after the May 24, 2002 effective date of the exemption, 7 days after the exemption was filed.

This transaction is related to STB Finance Docket No. 34206, *Permian Basin Railways, Inc.—Continuance in Control Exemption—West Texas and Lubbock Railway Company, Inc. and Austin & Northwestern Railroad Company, Inc.*, wherein Permian Basin Railways, Inc. (Permian) has concurrently filed a verified notice to continue in control of Austin & Northwestern Railroad Company, Inc. and Railway, upon Railway's becoming a Class III railroad.

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. 34205, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on John D. Heffner, 555 12th Street, NW., Suite 950N, Washington, DC 20004.

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Decided: June 7, 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

June 6, 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 July 15, 2002, to be assured of consideration.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-0351.

Form Number: IRS Form 3975.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Tax Professionals Annual Mailing List Application and Order Blank.

Description: Form 3975 allows a tax professional a systematic way to remain on the Tax Professionals Mailing File and to order copies of tax materials.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 320,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent:

3 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 16,000 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-1407.

Form Number: IRS Form 8848.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Consent To Extend the Time To Assess the Branch Profits Tax Under Regulations Sections 1.884-2(a) and (c).

Description: Form 8848 is used by foreign corporations that have (a) completely terminated all of their U.S. trade or business within the meaning of Temporary Regulations section 1.884-2T(a) during the tax year or (b) transferred their U.S. assets to a domestic corporation in a transaction described in Code section 381(a), if the foreign corporation was engaged in a U.S. trade or business at that time.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 5,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper:

Recordkeeping—3 hr., 3 min.

Learning about the law or the form—11 min.

Preparing and sending the form to the IRS—1 hr., 6 min.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Total Reporting/Recordkeeping Burden: 22,500 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-1773.

Revenue Procedure Number: Revenue Procedure 2002-23.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Taxation of Canadian Retirement Plans Under U.S.—Canada Income Tax Treaty.

Description: This Revenue Procedure provides guidance for the application by U.S. citizens and residents of the U.S.—Canada Income Tax Treaty, as amended by the 1995 protocol, in order to defer U.S. income taxes on income accrued in certain Canadian retirement plans.

Respondents: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Other (once).

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 10,000 hours.

Clearance Officer: Glenn Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6411-03, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt,

Office of Management and Budget, Room 10202, New Executive Office

¹ Due to a track relocation project, the mileposts do not accurately reflect the actual length of the rail line.