

1.40 to milepost 7.6<sup>2</sup> and (b) from milepost 20.93 to milepost 26.70<sup>3</sup> in Essex County, MA, and Rockingham and Hillsborough Counties, NH. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 01840, 01841, 01843, 01844, 03079, 03101, 03103, and 03053.

ST 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 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 June 26, 2003,<sup>4</sup> unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues and formal expressions of intent to file an

<sup>2</sup> B&M was authorized to abandon this portion of the line in *Boston and Maine Corporation—Abandonment—in Essex County, MA, and Rockingham County, NH*, STB Docket No. AB-32 (Sub-No. 90) (STB served Oct. 3, 2001), and in *Boston and Maine Corporation—Abandonment and Discontinuance of Service Exemption—Rockingham and Hillsboro Counties, NY*, STB Docket No. AB-32 (Sub-No. 88X) (STB served May 26, 2000).

<sup>3</sup> B&M was authorized to abandon this portion of the line in *Boston and Maine Corporation—Abandonment Exemption—in Rockingham and Hillsborough Counties, NH*, STB Docket No. AB-32 (Sub-No. 87X) (STB served July 2, 1999).

<sup>4</sup> Because this is a discontinuance proceeding and not an abandonment, trail use/rail banking and public use conditions are not appropriate. Likewise, no environmental or historic documentation is required under 49 CFR 1105.6(c) and 1105.8. Nevertheless, ST filed an environmental report with its notice. The Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) issued environmental assessments on July 9, 1999, April 7, 2000, and July 18, 2001, in connection with B&M's previously noted abandonment of these segments of the line.

OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2),<sup>5</sup> must be filed by June 6, 2003. Petitions to reopen must be filed by June 16, 2003, with the Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001.

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to ST's representative: Katherine E. Potter, Esq., Springfield Terminal Railway Company, Iron Horse Park, North Billerica, MA 01862.

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

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>.

Decided: May 20, 2003.

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

May 19, 2003.

The Department of the 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 11000, 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before June 26, 2003 to be assured of consideration.

### Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

**OMB Number:** 1545-1086.

**Form Number:** IRS Form 8725.

**Type of Review:** Revision.

**Title:** Excise Tax on Greenmail.

**Description:** Form 8725 is used by persons who receive "greenmail" to compute and pay the excise tax paid on greenmail imposed under section 5881. The IRS uses the information to verify that the correct amount of tax has been reported.

<sup>5</sup> Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which currently is set at \$1,100. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

**Respondents:** Business or other for-profit.

**Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers:** 12.

**Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper:**

Recordkeeping—5 hr., 30 min.

Learning about the law or the form—1 hr., 0 min.

Preparing and sending the form to the IRS—1 hr., 7 min.

**Frequency of Response:** On occasion.

**Estimated Total Reporting/**

**Recordkeeping Burden:** 92 hours.

**OMB Number:** 1545-1504.

**Form Number:** IRS Form 911.

**Type of Review:** Extension.

**Title:** Application for Taxpayer Assistance Order (TAO).

**Description:** This form is used by taxpayers to apply for relief from a significant hardship which may have already occurred or is about to occur if the IRS takes or fails to take certain actions. This form is submitted to the IRS Taxpayer Advocate Office in the state or city where the taxpayer lives.

**Respondents:** Individuals or households, Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Farms, State, Local or Tribal Government.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 93,000.

**Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent:** 30 minutes.

**Frequency of Response:** On occasion.

**Estimated Total Reporting Burden:** 46,500 hours.

**Clearance Officer:** Glenn Kirkland (202) 622-3428, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6411-03, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**OMB Reviewer:** Joseph F. Lackey, Jr. (202) 395-7316, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**Lois K. Holland,**

*Departmental Reports, Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

May 15, 2003.

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