

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES (NAS) FUEL ECONOMY ESTIMATES—Continued

Technology	FC (mpg)		Cost		Availability
	Low	High	Low	High	
Electric Power Steering	1.5	2.5	105	150	2007–2012
Vehicle Weight Reduction	3.0	4.0	210	350	2007–2012

FC = Fuel Consumption Improvement

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 32904, delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50.

Issued on April 15, 2004.

Jeffrey W. Runge,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34486]

Ohio Valley Railroad Company— Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Harwood Properties, Inc.

Ohio Valley Railroad Company (OVR), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to acquire by lease from Harwood Properties, Inc. (HPI) and operate approximately 2.8 miles of trackage consisting of tracks 4 through 11 and connecting tracks in the former Harwood Yard in Evansville, IN. The lines connect with lines operated by Indiana Southwestern Railroad Company (ISWR). OVR certifies that its projected revenues as a result of this transaction will not exceed those that would qualify it as a Class III carrier and will not exceed \$5 million annually.¹

The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on or after March 30, 2004, the effective date of exemption (7 days after the exemption was filed).²

If the verified 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.

¹ On March 26, 2004, counsel for CSX Transportation, Inc. submitted comments requesting that the Board closely review OVR's proposal to determine if OVR will actually become a common carrier or will merely be a new entity providing non-common carrier service. By facsimile dated April 6, 2004, OVR stated that it "would provide common carrier rail operations upon exemption authorization from the Surface Transportation Board."

² On April 15, 2004, ISW filed a petition to reject the verified notice, to revoke the exemption, or to stay its effect. ISW's petition will be addressed by the Board in a separate decision.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 33486, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423–0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Richard R. Wilson, 2310 Grant Building, Pittsburgh, PA 15219–2383.

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Decided: April 16, 2004.

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. 34492]

Riverport Railroad, LLC—Acquisition Exemption—Jo-Davies/Carrol County Local Redevelopment Authority

Riverport Railroad, LLC (Riverport), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to acquire from Jo-Davies/Carrol County Local Redevelopment Authority (the Authority), the real estate and rail assets of a 50-mile line of railroad located at the former Savanna Army Ammo Depot near Savanna, IL, and adjacent to the Chicago Twin Cities main line of The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) at BNSF milepost 156.9. Riverport has been leasing and operating the line under an agreement with the Authority since 1999,¹ and the sole purpose of this transaction will be to convert its leasehold interest into an ownership interest.

Riverport certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not exceed \$5 million, and thus the transaction will not result

¹ See *Riverport Railroad, L.L.C.—Lease and Operation Exemption—Jo-Davies/Carrol County Local Re-Development Authority*, STB Finance Docket No. 33799 (STB served Sept. 16, 1999).

in the creation of a Class I or Class II rail carrier.

The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on or after April 15, 2004.

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. 34492, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423–0001. In addition, one copy of each pleading must be served on John D. Heffner, John D. Heffner, PLLC, 1920 N Street, NW., Suite 800, Washington, DC 20005.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at www.stb.dot.gov.

Decided: April 15, 2004.

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

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request For Form 8396

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 8396, Mortgage Interest Credit.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before June 21, 2004, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Glenn Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6411, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Allan Hopkins, at (202) 622-6665, or at Internal Revenue Service, room 6407, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the Internet, at Allan.M.Hopkins@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Mortgage Interest Credit.

OMB Number: 1545-0930.

Form Number: 8396.

Abstract: Form 8396 is used by individual taxpayers to claim a credit against their tax for a portion of the interest paid on a home mortgage in connection with a qualified mortgage certificate. Internal Revenue Code section 25 allows the credit and code section 163(g) provides that the mortgage interest deduction will be reduced by the credit. The IRS uses the information on the form to verify the mortgage interest taken and to verify that the mortgage interest deducted on Schedule A (Form 1040) has been reduced by the allowable credit.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to the form at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 30,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 1 hr., 33 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 46,500.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: April 15, 2004.

Glenn Kirkland,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 926

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13(44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 926, Return by a U.S. Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation, Foreign Estate or Trust, or Foreign Partnership.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before June 21, 2004, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Glenn Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6411, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Allan Hopkins, at (202) 622-6665, or at Internal Revenue Service, room 6407, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224,

or through the Internet, at Allan.M.Hopkins@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Return by a U.S. Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation, Foreign Estate or Trust, or Foreign Partnership.

OMB Number: 1545-0026.

Form Number: Form 926.

Abstract: Form 926 is filed by any U.S. person who transfers property to a foreign corporation, foreign estate or trust, or foreign partnership.

Current Actions: Form 926 is being revised to reflect the repeal of Internal Revenue Code sections 1491 through 1494 and changes to Code sections 367 and 6038B. However, the actual changes to the form have not been decided upon at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations and individuals.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 14 hours, 7 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 14,120.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.