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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

[Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2006-25705]

### 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.

#### CSX Transportation

The CSX Transportation Company (CSXT) seeks a waiver of compliance with the *Locomotive Safety Standards*, 49 CFR 229.23, 229.27, and 229.29, as they pertain to the requirement to maintain the locomotive repair record form FRA 6180.49A, commonly referred to as the Blue Card, in the cab of their locomotives. If granted, CSXT would maintain locomotive inspection information in a secure database. The database would be maintained as the required office copy of form FRA 6180.49A. A computer-generated form that is similar to and contains all information currently contained on the required FRA 6180.49A would be maintained onboard the locomotive. In place of required signatures of the persons performing inspections and tests, CSXT employees would be provided a unique login identification number and a secure password to access the system and verify performance of inspections. In place of signatures, a computer-generated report would print the name of the employee performing a required inspection and print the employee's supervisor who is certifying that all inspections have been made and all repairs have been completed. Required filing of the previous inspection record will be maintained through the database.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written opinions, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate the need to schedule a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant holding one. 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 (FRA-2006-25705) and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Docket Management Facility, Room PL-401 (Plaza Level), 400 7th Street, SW., 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 aforementioned facility. All documents in the public docket are also available

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

[Docket No. FRA-2006-25980]

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Notice of Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System or Relief From the Requirements of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations Part 236

Pursuant to Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 235 and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), the following railroad has 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.

Applicant: Springfield Terminal Railway Company, Mr. T. Kunzler, Chief Engineer, C&S, Iron Horse Park, North Billerica, Massachusetts 01862-1688.

The Springfield Terminal Railway Company seeks approval of the proposed modification of the traffic control system on the Boston and Maine Corporation's single main track "Freight Main Line," consisting of the relocation of the back-to-back intermediate signal Nos. 1628 and 1629, located near milepost K-443, to a new location approximately 3,700 feet westward, near milepost K-444, in Hoosick, New York.

The reason given for the proposed change is to eliminate the need for multiple tunable couplers that could adversely affect AHCP reliability.

Any interested party desiring to protest the granting of an application shall set forth specifically the grounds