

requested that the Board hold a hearing to discuss the proposed changes to the cost of capital calculation. This hearing should be a forum for parties to provide views and information about the Board's proposed changes and the record developed in this proceeding. The Board invites information and comments on the proposed CAPM methodology to calculate the rail industry's cost of capital.

*Date of Hearing.* The hearing will begin at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 4, 2007, in the hearing room at the Board's headquarters in Washington, DC, and will continue, with short breaks if necessary, until every person scheduled to speak has been heard.

*Notice of Intent to Participate.* Any party of record wishing to speak at the hearing should file with the Board a written notice of intent to participate, and should identify the party, the proposed speaker, the time requested, and topic(s) to be covered, as soon as possible, but no later than November 20, 2007.

*Testimony.* Each speaker should file with the Board a copy of his/her written testimony by November 27, 2007.

*Board Releases and Live Audio Available Via the Internet.* Decisions and notices of the Board, including this notice, are available on the Board's Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>. This hearing will be available on the Board's Web site by live audio streaming. To access the hearing, click on the "Live Audio" link under "Information Center" at the left side of the home page beginning at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 4, 2007.

This action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

Dated: October 24, 2007.

**Vernon A. Williams,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 35079]

### West Texas and Lubbock Railway Company—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—BNSF Railroad Company

West Texas and Lubbock Railway Company (WTLC),<sup>1</sup> a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of

<sup>1</sup> Iowa Pacific Holdings, LLC owns WTLC through its wholly owned subsidiary Permian Basin Railways, Inc.

exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to acquire, by purchase from BNSF Railway Company (BNSF), and operate approximately 37.5 miles of rail line known as the South Plains Subdivision, extending from milepost 330.1 west of Plainview, TX, to the end of the line at milepost 367.6 in Dimmitt, TX.

The transaction is expected to be consummated on or after November 10, 2007.

WTLC certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction would not exceed \$5 million and would not result in the creation of a Class II or Class I rail carrier.

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 effectiveness of the exemption. Stay petitions must be filed by November 2, 2007 (at least 7 days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 35079, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on John D. Heffner, John D. Heffner, PLLC, 1750 K Street, NW., Suite 350, Washington, DC 20006.

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

Decided: October 18, 2007.

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

**Vernon A. Williams,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of the Secretary

### List of Countries Requiring Cooperation With an International Boycott

In order to comply with the mandate of section 999(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the Department of the Treasury is publishing a current list of countries which require or may require participation in, or cooperation with, an international boycott (within the meaning of section 999(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).

On the basis of the best information currently available to the Department of the Treasury, the following countries

require or may require participation in, or cooperation with, an international boycott (within the meaning of section 999(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).

Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, United Arab Emirates, Yemen, Republic of.

Iraq is not included in this list, but its status with respect to future lists remains under review by the Department of the Treasury.

Dated: October 22, 2007.

**John L. Harrington,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The OCC, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on a continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. The OCC is soliciting comment concerning an information collection titled, "Examination Questionnaire." The OCC also gives notice that it has sent the information collection to OMB for review and approval.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted by November 26, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Communications Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Public Information Room, Mailstop 1-5, Attention: 1557-0199, 250 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20219. In addition, comments may be sent by fax to (202) 874-4448, or by electronic mail to [regs.comments@occ.treas.gov](mailto:regs.comments@occ.treas.gov). You may personally inspect and photocopy comments at the OCC's Public Information Room, 250 E Street, SW., Washington, DC. For security reasons, the OCC requires that visitors make an appointment to inspect comments. You may do so by calling (202) 874-5043.