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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *Title:* Transportation, Community, and System Preservation Program Grant Application. Delta Region Transportation Development Program Grant Application. Transportation Planning Excellence Awards Nomination Form.

*OMB Control #:* 2125–0615.

*Background:* Transportation, Community, and System Preservation Program Grant Application: Section 1117 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA–LU) provides funding for the Transportation, Community, and System Preservation (TCSP) Program. The TCSP Program is a comprehensive initiative of research and grants to investigate the relationships between transportation, community, and system preservation plans and practices and identify sector-based initiatives to improve such relationships. States, metropolitan planning organizations, local governments, and tribal governments are eligible for discretionary grants to carry out eligible projects to integrate transportation, community, and system preservation plans and practices that:

- Improve the efficiency of the transportation system of the United States.
- Reduce environmental impacts of transportation.
- Reduce the need for costly future public infrastructure investments.
- Ensure efficient access to jobs, services, and centers of trade.
- Examine community development patterns and identify strategies to encourage private sector development patterns and investments that support these goals.

The 2-page TCSP grant application is the tool used to collect the necessary information needed to successfully submit eligible TCSP Program projects to the Secretary of Transportation for approval and for the distribution of TCSP funds. The TCSP grant application includes four parts: (A) Project Information—General contact and funding information, (B) Project Abstract—Overview of the purpose and intent of project, (C) Project Narrative—Description of the project and the expected results, and (D) Project Eligibility—Discussion of how the project meets statutory eligibility.

The TCSP Program is a discretionary program. However in some years, the projects awarded TCSP Program funding have been designated by Congress. In order to comply with Congressional

designation, the FHWA Division offices will continue to be asked to identify the intended recipient of the TCSP designated grant. The specified grant recipient would then be asked to complete the grant application each fiscal year that they receive TCSP funding and submit it electronically.

**Background: Delta Region Transportation Development Program Grant Application**

Section 1117 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA–LU) provides funding for the Delta Region Transportation Development Program (DRTDP). The DRTDP supports and encourages multistate transportation planning and corridor development, provides for transportation project development, facilitates transportation decision making and supports transportation construction in the eight States comprising the Delta Region (Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee). A State transportation department or metropolitan planning organization in a Delta Region State may receive and administer funds provided under the program.

The 2-page DRTDP grant application is the tool used to collect the necessary information needed to successfully submit eligible DRTDP projects to the Secretary of Transportation for approval and for the distribution of DRTDP funds. The DRTDP grant application collects project information including general contact and funding information, a narrative project description, and information regarding statutory eligibility.

The DRTDP Program is a discretionary program. However in some years, the projects awarded DRTDP Program funding have been designated by Congress. In order to comply with Congressional designation, the FHWA Division offices will continue to be asked to identify the intended recipient of the DRTDP designated grant. The specified grant recipient would then be asked to complete the grant application each fiscal year that they receive DRTDP funding and submit it electronically.

**Background: Transportation Planning Excellence Awards Nomination Form**

The Transportation Planning Excellence Awards (TPEA) Program is a biennial awards program developed by the FHWA and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to recognize outstanding initiatives across the country to develop, plan and implement innovative transportation planning

practices. The program is co-sponsored by the American Planning Association.

The on-line TPEA nomination form is the tool for submitters to nominate a process, group, or individual involved in a project or process that has used the FHWA and/or the FTA funding sources to make an outstanding contribution to the field of transportation planning. The information about the process, group or individual provided by the submitter may be shared and published if that submission is selected for an award.

The TPEA Program is a biennial awards program and individuals will be asked to submit nominations via the online form every two years. The participants will provide their information by means of the Internet.

*Respondents:* For the TCSP Program, 200 participants annually. For the DRTDP Program, 20 participants annually. For the TPEA, 150 participants biennially.

*Frequency:* For the TCSP Program, grant applications are solicited on an annual basis. For the DRTDP, grant applications are solicited on an annual basis. For the TPEA, nominations are solicited every two years.

*Estimated Average Burden per Response:* For the TCSP Program, approximately 120 minutes. For the DRTDP, approximately 90 minutes. For the TPEA Program, approximately 90 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* For the TCSP Program, 400 hours annually. For the DRTDP, 30 hours annually. TPEA, 225 hours in the first year and 225 hours in the third year.

**Authority:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

Issued on: December 11, 2009.

**Tina Campbell,**

*Acting Chief, Management Programs and Analysis Division.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Surface Transportation Board**

[STB Finance Docket No. 35331]

**Sierra Northern Railway—Lease and Operation Exemption—Union Pacific Railroad Company**

Sierra Northern Railway (SNR), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to lease and to operate, pursuant to a lease agreement with Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP), a line of railroad known as the Santa Cruz

Branch line located between milepost 0.433, at the east boundary of Salinas Road, near Watsonville Junction, CA, to milepost 31.39, at the end of UP's line near Davenport, CA, including the interconnection with the Santa Cruz and Big Trees Railroad at milepost 20.4 at Santa Cruz, CA, and various associated siding and spur trackage. The total length of the line is approximately 31.0 miles, and there is an additional 3.6 miles of sidings and spurs.

SNR states that, pursuant to an interchange agreement attached to the lease agreement and made a part of this transaction, UP also is granting to SNR certain trackage rights over trackage in UP's Watsonville yard as necessary for interchange. SNR further states that neither the lease agreement nor the interchange agreement contain a provision or agreement that may limit future interchange with a third party. See 49 CFR 1150.43(h).

SNR states that it expects the transaction to be consummated in December 2009, on or shortly after the effective date of this exemption. The earliest this transaction may be consummated is December 31, 2009, the effective date of the exemption (30 days after the exemption was filed).

SNR certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of the transaction will not result in SNR becoming a Class II or Class I rail carrier and further certifies that its projected annual revenues will not exceed \$5 million.

Pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008, Public Law 110-161, § 193, 121 Stat. 1844 (2007), nothing in this decision authorizes the following activities at any solid waste rail transfer facility: Collecting, storing, or transferring solid waste outside of its original shipping container; or separating or processing solid waste (including baling, crushing, compacting, and shredding). The term "solid waste" is defined in section 1004 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, 42 U.S.C. 6903.

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. Petitions for stay must be filed no later than December 24, 2009 (at least 7 days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 35331, 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 David

Magaw, President, Sierra Northern Railway, 341 Industrial Way, Woodland, CA 95776.

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

Decided: December 14, 2009.

By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell, Director, Office of Proceedings.

**Kulunie L. Cannon,**  
Clearance Clerk.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

December 11, 2009.

The Department of the Treasury will submit the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 on or after the date of publication of this notice. 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, and 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

*Dates:* Written comments should be received on or before January 19, 2010 to be assured of consideration.

### Financial Management Service (FMS)

*OMB Number:* 1510-0074.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Market Research Study.

*Description:* This is a generic clearance to conduct customer satisfaction surveys. The need for these surveys arises from Congressional directive that accompanied legislation enacted in 1996, as part of the Debt Collection Improvement Act (Pub. L. 104-134), expanding the scope of check recipients required to use direct deposit to receive Federal benefit payments (see 31 U.S.C. 3332). Congress directed Treasury to "study the socioeconomic and demographic characteristics of those who currently do not have Direct Deposit and determine how best to increase usage among all groups."

*Respondents:* Businesses or other for-profits.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 7,500 hours.

*Clearance Officer:* Wesley Powe, (202) 874-7662, Financial Management

Service, Room 135, 3700 East West Highway, Hyattsville, MD 20782.

*OMB Reviewer:* OIRA Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov).

**Celina Elphage,**

Treasury PRA Clearance Officer.

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### Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN)

*OMB Number:* 1506-0004.

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Currency Transaction Reports.

*Description:* Financial institutions file form 104 for currency transaction in excess of \$10,000 a day pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 5313(a) and 31 CFR 103.22(a)(b). The form is used by criminal investigators, and taxation and regulatory enforcement authorities, during the course of investigations involving financial crimes.

*Respondents:* Businesses or other for-profits.

*Estimated Total Reporting Burden:* 9,140,000 hours.

*Clearance Officer:* Russell Stephenson, (202) 354-6012, Department of the Treasury, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, P.O. Box 39, Vienna, VA 22183.

*OMB Reviewer:* Shagufta Ahmed, (202) 395-7873, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New