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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. FD 35537]

Genesee & Wyoming Inc.; Acquisition of Control Exemption; Arizona Eastern Railway Company

Genesee & Wyoming Inc. (GWI), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption to acquire control of Arizona Eastern Railway Company (AZER), a Class III rail carrier. GWI intends to consummate the transaction on September 1, 2011, the effective date of the exemption (30 days after the exemption was filed).

GWI directly or indirectly controls one Class II rail carrier, Buffalo & Pittsburgh Railroad, Inc., and 57 Class III rail carriers operating in 23 states. For a complete list of these Class III carriers, and the states within which they operate, see GWI's notice of exemption filed on August 2, 2011. The notice is available on the Board's Web site at "<http://www.stb.dot.gov>."

AZER currently owns and operates approximately 200 route miles of rail line between Bowie and Miami, Ariz. and between Lordsburg, N.M. and Clifton, Ariz. AZER is a wholly owned subsidiary of Permian Basin Railways, Inc. (Permian Basin), which in turn is a wholly owned subsidiary of Iowa Pacific Holdings, LLC, a noncarrier holding company. As a result of the proposed transaction, GWI will obtain control of AZER through the purchase of all of AZER's stock from Permian Basin.¹

Applicants represent that: (1) The rail lines to be acquired by GWI do not connect with any other railroad in the corporate family;² (2) the transaction is

¹ GWI states that if it acquires the stock prior to the September 1, 2011 effective date of the exemption, it would place the stock into an irrevocable, independent voting trust pursuant to 49 CFR 1013, pending the effectiveness of the exemption. GWI states that it would notify the Board of any such occurrence and would submit a copy of the agreement governing the voting trust for AZER's stock.

² AZER's lines are located in Arizona and New Mexico. GWI's carriers do not currently operate in the states of Arizona or New Mexico.

not part of a series of anticipated transactions that would connect AZER's rail lines with any other railroad in the GWI corporate family; and (3) the transaction does not involve a Class I rail carrier. Therefore, the transaction is exempt from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323. See 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2).³

Under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), the Board may not use its exemption authority to relieve a rail carrier of its statutory obligation to protect the interests of its employees. Because the transaction involves the control of at least one Class II and one or more Class III rail carriers, the transaction is subject to the labor protection requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11326(b).

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 no later than August 25, 2011 (at least 7 days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 35537, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, one copy of each pleading must be served on Thomas J. Litwiler, Fletcher & Sippel LLC, 29 North Wacker Drive, Suite 920, Chicago, IL 60606.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

August 15, 2011.

The Department of the Treasury will submit the following public information collection requirements to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995,

³ A redacted Stock Purchase Agreement was filed with the notice of exemption. The Applicants concurrently filed a motion for protective order pursuant to 49 CFR 1104.14(b) to allow the filing under seal of the unredacted Stock Purchase Agreement. That motion will be addressed in a separate decision.

Public Law 104-13 on or after the date of publication of this notice. A copy of the submissions may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding these information collections should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury PRA Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Suite 11010, Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 19, 2011 to be assured of consideration.

Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB)

OMB Number: 1513-0018.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Title: Application for Basic Permit under the Federal Alcohol Administration Act.

Form: TTB F 5100.24.

Abstract: TTB 5100.24 will be completed by persons intending to engage in a business involving beverage alcohol operations at a distilled spirits plant, bonded winery, or wholesaling/importing business. The information collected allows TTB to identify the applicant and the location of the business, and to determine whether the applicant qualifies for a permit.

Respondents: Private Sector; Businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 5,656.

OMB Number: 1513-0019.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Title: Application for Amended Basic Permit under the Federal Alcohol Administration Act.

Forms: TTB F 5100.18.

Abstract: TTB F 5100.18 is completed by permittees who change their operations in a manner that requires a new permit or receive a new notice. The information allows TTB to identify the permittee, the changes to the permit or business, and to determine whether the applicant still qualifies for a basic permit.

Respondents: Private Sector; Businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 600.

OMB Number: 1513-0023.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Title: Environmental Information; and Supplemental Information on Water Quality Consideration under 33 U.S.C. 1341(a).

Forms: TTB F 5000.28 and 5000.30.

Abstract: TTB F 5000.29 is used to determine whether an activity will have a significant effect on the environment

and to determine if a formal environmental impact statement or an environmental permit is necessary for a proposed operation. TTB F 5000.30 is used to make a determination as to whether a certification or waiver by the applicable State water quality agency is required under section 21 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1341(a)). Manufacturers that discharge a solid or liquid effluent into navigable waters submit this form.

Respondents: Private Sector: Businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 3,900.

OMB Number: 1513-0054.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Title: Offer in Compromise of liability incurred under the provisions of Title 26 U.S.C. enforced and administered by TTB; Collection Information Statement (CIS) for Individuals; CIS for Businesses.

Forms: TTB F 5600.17, 5600.18, and 5640.1.

Abstract: TTB F 5640.1 is used by persons who wish to compromise criminal and/or civil penalties for violations of the IRC. If accepted, the offer in compromise is a settlement between the government and the party in violation in lieu of legal proceedings or prosecution. If the party is unable to pay the offer in full, TTB F 5600.17 and 5600.18 are used to gather financial information to develop an installment agreement to allow the party to pay without incurring a financial hardship.

Respondents: Private Sector: Businesses or other for-profits; Individuals and households.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 140.

OMB Number: 1513-0073.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Title: Manufacturers of Nonbeverage Products—Records to Support Claims for Drawback, TTB REC 5530/2.

Abstract: Records required to be maintained by manufacturers of nonbeverage products are used to prevent diversion of drawback spirits to beverage use. The records are necessary to maintain accountability over these spirits. The records make it possible to trace spirits using audit techniques, thus enabling TTB officers to verify the amount of spirits used in nonbeverage products and subsequently claimed as eligible for drawback of tax. The record retention requirement for this information collection is 3 years.

Respondents: Private Sector: Businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 10,521.

OMB Number: 1513-0075.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Title: Proprietors or Claimants Exporting Liquors, TTB REC 5900/1.

Abstract: Distilled spirits, wine, and beer may be exported from bonded premises without payment of excise taxes, or, they may be exported if their taxes have been paid and the exporters may claim drawback of the taxes paid. The recordkeeping requirement makes it possible to trace movement of distilled spirits, wine, and beer, thus enabling TTB officers to verify the amount of these liquors eligible for exportation without payment of tax or exportation subject to drawback.

Respondents: Private Sector: Businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 7,200.

Clearance Officer: Gerald Isenberg, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Room 200 East, 1310 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005; (202) 453-2165.

OMB Reviewer: Shagufta Ahmed, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503; (202) 395-7873.

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Treasury PRA Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

August 15, 2011.

The Department of the Treasury will submit the following public information collection requirements 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. A copy of the submissions may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding these information collections should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury PRA Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Suite 11010, Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 19, 2011 to be assured of consideration.

Bureau of the Public Debt (BPD)

OMB Number: 1535-0059.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Title: Special Form of Assignment for U.S. Registered Definitive Securities and U.S. Bearer Securities for Conversion to BECCS or CUBES.

Form: PD F 1832 E.

Abstract: Used to certify assignments of U.S. registered definitive securities.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 1,250.

OMB Number: 1535-0113.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Title: Disclaimer and Consent with Respect to United States Savings Bond/Notes.

Form: PD F 1849 E.

Abstract: Used to obtain a disclaimer and consent as the result of an error in registration or otherwise the payment, refund of the purchase price, or reissue as requested by one person would appear to affect the right, title or interest of some other person.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 700.

Bureau Clearance Officer: Bruce Sharp, Bureau of the Public Debt, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, West Virginia 26106; (304) 480-8112.

OMB Reviewer: Shagufta Ahmed, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503; (202) 395-7873.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Regulation Project

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)). The IRS is soliciting comments concerning information collection requirements related to the obligation of material advisors to prepare and maintain lists with respect to reportable transactions.