

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Railroad Administration****[Docket Number FRA-2012-0002]****Petition for Waiver of Compliance**

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that by a document dated December 19, 2011, Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad (DSNG) has petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR Part 230, Steam Locomotive Inspection and Maintenance Standards. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2012-0002.

DSNG is a tourist railroad that operates between Durango and Silverton, CO. The railroad maintains six narrow gauge (36-inch) steam locomotives; four 1925 Baldwin 2-8-2 locomotives and two 1923 Alco 2-8-2 locomotives. All of these locomotives have received previous 1,472 service-day inspections (SDI) in accordance with 49 CFR 230.17 and will soon receive their second 1,472 SDI due to an accumulation of service days rather than an expiration of the 15 years permitted by 49 CFR 230.17.

Locomotive No. 480, a 1925 Baldwin 2-8-2, has accumulated 1,307 days of service. This locomotive is currently removed from service due to a crack found on the knuckle of the rear flue sheet necessitating repair or replacement. Replacement was chosen due to the age of the existing flue sheet and the added safety of replacement versus repairing the crack in place. Replacement requires that all of the boiler flues will have to be removed to affect the repair. The flues will be removed 165 service days earlier than required for the 1,472 SDI. While the flues are removed, DSNG will clean and inspect the boiler interior as required by 49 CFR 230.31 and 230.32(b)(2), and the applicable portions of 49 CFR 230.32(a).

DSNG requests relief from 49 CFR 230.31(a) with respect to timeframe, and 49 CFR 230.32(b)(3) with respect to boiler exterior. DSNG desires to perform the interior portion of the 1,472 SDI; return the locomotive back into service for the remainder of the 2012 operating season; and complete the exterior portion of the 1,472 SDI at or before the expiration of its present 1,472 service-day cycle. DSNG states that granting of relief will allow extensive monetary savings, as removing and replacing the flues twice within 12 months would be

burdensome and costly with a negligible effect on safety. The request is for permission to perform the interior boiler inspection earlier than required. The use of service time for the next 1,472 SDI will start with the first firing of the boiler after returning to service, not at the completion of the exterior inspection.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at <http://www.regulations.gov> and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. 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 and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Web site:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax:* 202-493-2251.
- *Mail:* Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- *Hand Delivery:* 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Communications received by April 2, 2012 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78), or online at <http://www.dot.gov/privacy.html>.

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Ron Hynes,*Acting Deputy Associate Administrator for Regulatory and Legislative Operations.*

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BILLING CODE 4910-06-P**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****National Highway Traffic Safety Administration****[Docket No. NHTSA-2012-0021]****National Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (NEMSAC); Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting**

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Meeting Notice—National Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council.

SUMMARY: The NHTSA announces a meeting of NEMSAC to be held in the Metropolitan Washington, DC area. This notice announces the date, time, and location of the meeting, which will be open to the public. This meeting will include a special roundtable event, hosted by the NEMSAC, regarding the EMS Education Agenda for the Future. The purpose of NEMSAC is to provide a nationally recognized council of emergency medical services (EMS) representatives and consumers to provide advice and recommendations regarding EMS to DOT's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

DATES: The NEMSAC meeting will take place over two and a half days and be held on Wednesday March 28, 2012, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST, Thursday March 29, 2012, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. EST, and on Friday March 30, 2012, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. EST. NEMSAC committees will meet from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. on March 29, 2012. Public comment periods will be scheduled throughout the day of March 28, 2012, as well as from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. EST on March 29, 2012.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held on the 8th floor of the FHI 360 Conference Center at 1825 Connecticut Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Drew Dawson, Director, U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Emergency Medical Services, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., NTI-140, Washington, DC 20590, telephone number (202) 366-9966; email Drew.Dawson@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.). NEMSAC will meet on March 28-30, 2012, at the FHI 360 Conference Center at 1825 Connecticut Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20009. This meeting will include a special roundtable event, hosted by the NEMSAC, regarding the EMS Education Agenda for the Future. The purpose of the March 28, 2012, roundtable is to provide NEMSAC with stakeholder input about the EMS Education Agenda for the Future: A Systems Approach including a briefing on the Agenda's history and lessons learned from its implementation throughout the United States. This stakeholder input will help NEMSAC in making recommendations to the Department of Transportation and the Federal Interagency Committee on EMS regarding: The Agenda's future and a process for revising/updating the Agenda as deemed necessary and appropriate.

Agenda of National EMS Advisory Council Meeting, March 28-30, 2012

The tentative agenda includes the following:

Wednesday, March 28, 2012

- (1) Opening Remarks
- (2) History and Overview of the EMS Education Agenda for the Future
- (3) Panel Discussion #1—Successes and Challenges in Implementing the Current Agenda
- (4) Panel Discussion #2—Opportunities and Challenges in Revising the Agenda
- (5) Panel Discussion #3—The Process To Revise the Agenda
- (6) Next Steps

Thursday, March 29, 2012

- (1) Opening Remarks
- (2) Review and Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting
- (3) Update From NHTSA Office of EMS
- (4) Federal Partner Update
- (5) Presentations From NEMSAC Committees
- (6) Public Comment Period

Friday, March 30, 2012

- (1) Deliberations of Committee Documents
- (2) Discussion of New and Emerging Issues
- (3) Unfinished Business/Continued Discussion From Previous Day
- (4) Next Steps and Adjourn

Public comment periods will be scheduled throughout the day of March 28, 2012, as well as from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. EST on March 29, 2012. Written comments or requests to make oral presentations must be received by March 21, 2012, by emailing nemsac@dot.gov. In order to allow as many people as possible to speak, speakers are requested to limit their remarks to 5 minutes.

Public Attendance: This meeting will be open to the public. There will not be a teleconference option for this meeting. Individuals wishing to attend must register online at www.regonline.com/NEMSAC no later than March 26, 2012.

Minutes of the NEMSAC Meeting will be available to the public online through www.EMS.gov.

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Jeffrey P. Michael,
Associate Administrator for Research and Program Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

Office of Hazardous Materials Safety; Actions on Special Permit Applications

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of actions on Special Permit Applications.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the procedures governing the application for, and the processing of, special permits from the Department of Transportation's Hazardous Material Regulations (49 CFR Part 107, Subpart B), notice is hereby given of the actions on special permits applications in (November to January 2012). The mode of transportation involved are identified by a number in the "Nature of Application" portion of the table below as follows: 1—Motor vehicle, 2—Rail freight, 3—Cargo vessel, 4—Cargo aircraft only, 5—Passenger-carrying aircraft. Application numbers prefixed by the letters EE represent applications for Emergency Special Permits. It should be noted that some of the sections cited were those in effect at the time certain special permits were issued.

Issued in Washington, DC, on February 02, 2012.

Donald Burger,
Chief, Special Permits and Approvals Branch.

S.P. No.	Applicant	Regulation(s)	Nature of special permit thereof
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MODIFICATION SPECIAL PERMIT GRANTED

14447-M	SNF Holding Company Riceboro, GA.	49 CFR 177.834	To modify the special permit to authorize the addition of Class 3, 8 and Division 6.1 hazardous materials.
14763-M	Weatherford International Forth Worth, TX.	49 CFR 173.302a and 173.301(f)	To modify the special permit to change the minimum elongation from 12% to 10%.
12629-M	TEA Technologies, Inc. Amarillo, TX.	49 CFR 173.34(e)	To modify the special permit to add the retesting of DOT 107A cylinder (tubes) by means of acoustic emission (AE) and ultrasonic examination (UE) in lieu of hydrostatic testing.
14584-M	WavesinSolids LLC State College, PA.	49 CFR 173.302 and 180.209	To modify the special permit to authorize additional cylinders and to allow cylinders to be charged to 110 percent of the usual settled filled pressure or 110 percent of the stamped service pressure (whichever is greater) and to extend the retest period from 5 years to 10.
9758-M	Coleman Company, Inc. The Wichita, KS.	49 CFR 173.304(d)(3)(ii); 178.33	To modify the special permit to authorize the transportation in commerce of an additional Division 2.1 material.
14921-M	ERA Helicopters LLC Lake Charles, LA.	49 CFR 173.302(f)	To modify the special permit issued on an emergency basis to a permanent special permit.