apply for appointment by submitting a resume or CV along with letters of recommendation to NHTSA at the addresses listed above by March 30, 2012. Each applicant must identify the EMS sector or discipline that he or she seeks to represent. Current NEMSAC members whose terms are ending should notify the Designated Federal Officer of their interest in reappointment in lieu of submitting a new application, and should provide an updated resume or CV and a restatement of the current sector they represent by March 30, 2012.

The NEMSAC meets in plenary session approximately once per quarter. Members serve without compensation from the Federal Government; however, pursuant to the terms of the Charter, they receive travel reimbursement and per diem in accordance with applicable Federal Travel Regulations.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. FD 35588]

Eastern Maine Railway Company—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway, Ltd.

Eastern Maine Railway Company (EMR), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to acquire from Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway, Ltd. (MMA), and operate approximately 28.75 miles of rail line between the rail line owned by the State of Maine in Madawaska, Me. to the Canadian National Railway (CN) rail line near St. Leonard, N.B. at milepost 194.1 of CN’s Nappadoggin Subdivision. Specifically, the 28.75 miles of rail line consist of: (1) MMA’s Madawaska Subdivision extending from milepost 260 to milepost 264.13; (2) MMA’s Van Buren Subdivision extending from milepost 0.0 to milepost 23.69; and (3) an additional 0.93 miles of rail line, including the Van Buren Bridge, for connection to the CN rail line near St. Leonard, N.B.

This transaction is related to a concurrently filed verified notice of exemption in Docket No. FD 35598, Eastern Maine Railway Company—Assignment of Trackage Rights Exemption—Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway, Ltd. and Maine Northern Railway Company, wherein EMR seeks to acquire overhead trackage rights by assignment from MMA.

The MMA Northern Railway Company (MNC) currently has overhead trackage rights over the 28.75 miles of rail line owned by MMA. EMR is acquiring the line subject to these trackage rights. Therefore, MNRC’s overhead trackage rights will remain unchanged by EMR’s acquisition of the MMA line. Also, CN currently has limited trackage rights over a portion of the line, and CN’s indirect subsidiary Waterloo Railway Company has a limited easement over a portion of the line. EMR is acquiring the line subject to these rights as well.

The transaction is expected to be consummated on or about March 19, 2012. EMR certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not result in the creation of a Class II or Class I rail carrier. Because EMR’s projected annual revenues will exceed $5 million, EMR certified to the Board on January 17, 2012, that it had complied with the requirements of 49 CFR 1150.32(e) by providing notice to employees and their labor unions on the affected 28.75 miles of rail line. Under 49 CFR 1150.32(e), this exemption cannot become effective until 60 days after the date notice was provided, which would be March 17, 2012.

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. Petitions to stay must be filed no later than March 9, 2012 (at least 7 days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 35588, 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 Karyn A. Booth, Thompson Hine LLP, Suite 800, 1920 N Street NW., Washington, DC 20036.

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

Jeffrey Herzig,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. FD 35598]

Eastern Maine Railway Company—Assignment of Trackage Rights Exemption—Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway, Ltd. and Maine Northern Railway Company

Pursuant to a written agreement, Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway, Ltd. (MMA) has agreed to assign its overhead trackage rights to the Eastern Maine Railway Company (EMR) over approximately 151 miles of rail line owned by the State of Maine (State) extending between milepost 109 near Millinocket, Me., and milepost 260 near Madawaska, Me. (the Line).

This transaction is related to a concurrently filed verified notice of exemption in Docket No. FD 35588, Eastern Maine Railway Company—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway, Ltd., wherein EMR seeks to acquire from MMA and to operate 28.75 miles of rail line.

MMA, the former owner of the Line, proposed to abandon it and several other lines in 2010. The State purchased the Line and the other trackage to ensure rail service continued in northern Maine. Pursuant to a lease and operating agreement between Maine Northern Railway Company (MNRC) and the State, MNRC was selected as the


1 See Montreal, Me. & Atl. Ry.—Discon. of Service and Aban.—An Aroostook and Penobscot Cnty., Me., AB 1043 (Sub-No. 1) (STB served Dec. 27, 2010).


In anticipation of MNRC service, MMA acquired trackage rights over the Line to continue to connect its line in northern Maine with its other lines it was retaining. Now, MMA wishes to assign those rights to EMR, a corporate affiliate of MNRC, as part of the larger transaction in Docket No. FD 35588 whereby MMA has agreed to sell its line in northern Maine to EMR. EMR states that, by assigning the trackage rights, a point of interchange between EMR and MNRC can be eliminated, thereby increasing the efficiency of rail operations within northern Maine.

EMR states that the transaction will be consummated on the same date as consummation of the related acquisition and operation transaction in FD 35588, which is expected to be on March 19, 2012.

As a condition to this exemption, any employees affected by the trackage rights will be protected by the conditions imposed in *Norfolk and Western Railway—Trackage Rights—Burlington Northern, Inc.*, 354 I.C.C. 605 (1978), as modified in *Mendocino Coast Railway— Lease & Operate—California Western Railroad*, 360 I.C.C. 653 (1980).

This notice is filed under 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(7). If the 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 March 9, 2012 (at least 7 days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 35598, 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 Karyn A. Booth, Thompson Hine LLP, Suite 800, 1920 N Street NW., Washington, DC 20036.

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


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Questions concerning this notice may be directed to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Financial Management Service, Financial Accounting and Services Division, Surety Bond Branch, 3700 East-West Highway, Room 6F01, Hyattsville, MD 20782.


Laura Carrico, Director, Financial Accounting and Services Division.