

request for a public use condition under 49 CFR 1152.28 or for trail use/rail banking under 49 CFR 1152.29 will be due no later than April 30, 2012. Each trail use request must be accompanied by a \$250 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(27).

All filings in response to this notice must refer to Docket No. AB 1096X, and must be sent to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001; and (2) Charles A. Spitulnik, Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell, 1001 Connecticut Ave. NW., Suite 800, Washington, DC 20036. Replies to the petition are due on or before April 30, 2012.

Persons seeking further information concerning abandonment procedures may contact the Board's Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance at (202) 245-0238 or refer to the full abandonment or discontinuance regulations at 49 CFR part 1152. Questions concerning environmental issues may be directed to the Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) at (202) 245-0305. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

An environmental assessment (EA) (or environmental impact statement (EIS), if necessary) prepared by OEA will be served upon all parties of record and upon any agencies or other persons who commented during its preparation. Other interested persons may contact OEA to obtain a copy of the EA (or EIS). Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at www.stb.dot.gov.

Decided: April 2, 2012.

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

Raina S. White,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. AB 6 (Sub-No. 480X)]

BNSF Railway Company— Abandonment Exemption—in Oklahoma County, OK

BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR pt. 1152 subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments* to abandon 1.22 miles of rail line extending between milepost 541.69 and milepost 542.91 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County,

Okla. (the Line).¹ The Line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 73108 and 73109 and includes no stations.

BNSF has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the Line for at least 2 years; (2) any overhead traffic can be rerouted over other lines; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the Line (or by a state or local government entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the Line either is pending with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) or with any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of complainant within the 2-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.7(c) (environmental report), 49 CFR 1105.11 (transmittal letter), 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication), and 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice to governmental agencies) have been met.

As a condition to this exemption, any employee adversely affected by the abandonment shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line Railroad—Abandonment Portion Goshen Branch Between Firth & Ammon, in Bingham & Bonneville Counties, Idaho*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979). To address whether this condition adequately protects affected employees, a petition for partial revocation under 49 USC 10502(d) must be filed.

Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) has been received, this exemption will be effective on May 9, 2012, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues,² formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2),³ and trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by April 19, 2012. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR

¹ The Line previously was part of a larger BNSF line that was the subject of a notice of exemption filed in *BNSF Ry.—Aban. Exemption—in Oklahoma County, Okla.*, AB 6 (Sub-No. 430X) (STB served Oct. 13, 2005). By a decision served on June 5, 2008, the Board granted a petition to reopen the proceeding and reject BNSF's notice of exemption as void *ab initio* on the grounds that BNSF had provided service on a portion of the line to the east of the Line here during the two-year period prior to the filing of that notice.

² The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption's effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Serv. Rail Lines*, 5 I.C.C.2d 377 (1989). Any request for a stay should be filed as soon as possible so that the Board may take appropriate action before the exemption's effective date.

³ Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which is currently set at \$1,500. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

1152.28 must be filed by April 30, 2012, with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001.

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to BNSF's representative: Karl Morell, Of Counsel, Ball Janik LLP, Suite 225, 655 Fifteenth Street NW., Washington, DC 20005.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*.

BNSF has filed a combined environmental and historic report that addresses the effects, if any, of the abandonment on the environment and historic resources. OEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by April 13, 2012. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA by writing to OEA (Room 1100, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423-0001) or by calling OEA at (202) 245-0305.

Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339. Comments on environmental and historic preservation matters must be filed within 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public.

Environmental, historic preservation, public use, or trail use/rail banking conditions will be imposed, where appropriate, in a subsequent decision.

Pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), BNSF shall file a notice of consummation with the Board to signify that it has exercised the authority granted and fully abandoned the Line. If consummation has not been effected by BNSF's filing of a notice of consummation by April 9, 2013, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at www.stb.dot.gov.

Decided: April 3, 2012.

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

Raina S. White,
Clearance Clerk,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Unblocking of Blocked Persons Pursuant to Executive Order 13067 and Executive Order 13412

SUB-AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC") is publishing the names of two entities whose property and interests in property have been unblocked pursuant to Executive Order 13067 of November 3, 1997, "Blocking Sudanese Government Property and Prohibiting Transactions With Sudan," and Executive Order 13412 of October 13, 2006, "Blocking Property of and Prohibiting Transactions With the Government of Sudan."

DATES: The unblocking and removal from the list of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons ("SDN List") of the entities identified in this notice whose property and interests in property were blocked pursuant to Executive Order 13067 of November 3, 1997, and Executive Order 13412 of October 13, 2006, is effective February 1, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Assistant Director, Sanctions Compliance and Evaluation, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Ave. NW. (Treasury Annex), Washington, DC 20220, Tel.: (202) 622-2490.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic and Facsimile Availability

This document and additional information concerning OFAC are available from OFAC's Web site (www.treas.gov/ofac). Certain general information pertaining to OFAC's sanctions programs also is available via facsimile through a 24-hour fax-on-demand service, tel.: (202) 622-0077.

Background

On November 3, 1997 the President, invoking the authority of, *inter alia*, the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701-1706) ("IEEPA"), issued Executive Order 13067 ("E.O. 13067"). In E.O. 13067, the President declared a national emergency to deal with the Government of Sudan's continued support of international terrorism; ongoing efforts to destabilize neighboring governments; and the prevalence there of human rights violations, including slavery and the denial of religious freedom. Section 1 of E.O. 13067 blocks, with certain exceptions, all property and interests in property of the Government of Sudan that are in the United States, that hereafter come within the United States, or that hereafter come within the possession or control of United States persons, including their overseas branches. Section 4 defines the term "Government of Sudan" to include the Government of Sudan, its agencies,

instrumentalities and controlled entities, and the Central Bank of Sudan.

On October 13, 2006, the President, invoking the authority of, *inter alia*, IEEPA, issued Executive Order 13412 ("E.O. 13412"), in order to take additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in E.O. 13067. Section 1 of E.O. 13412 restates the blocking of the Government of Sudan imposed by E.O. 13067. Section 6 excludes the regional government of Southern Sudan from the definition of the Government of Sudan.

On February 1, 2012, OFAC removed the entities listed below, whose property and interests in property were blocked pursuant to E.O. 13067 and E.O. 13412 from the SDN List:

1. PEOPLE'S CO-OPERATIVE BANK, P.O. Box 922, Khartoum, Sudan; [SUDAN]
2. UNITY BANK, Bariman Avenue, P.O. Box 408, Khartoum, Sudan; Now part of BANK OF KHARTOUM GROUP; [SUDAN]

Dated: January 31, 2012.
Adam J. Szubin,
Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Bankruptcy Compliance Project Committee

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: An open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Bankruptcy Compliance Project Committee will be conducted. The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

DATES: The meeting will be held Tuesday, May 8, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Timothy Shepard at 1-888-912-1227 or 206-220-6095.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that a meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Bankruptcy Compliance Project Committee will be held Tuesday, May 08, 2012, at 9 a.m. Pacific Time via telephone conference. The public is invited to make oral comments or submit written statements for consideration. Due to limited

conference lines, notification of intent to participate must be made with Timothy Shepard. For more information please contact Mr. Shepard at 1-888-912-1227 or 206-220-6095, or write TAP Office, 915 2nd Avenue, MS W-406, Seattle, WA 98174, or contact us at the Web site: <http://www.improveirs.org>.

The agenda will include various IRS Issues.

Dated: March 28, 2012.

Louis Morizio,
Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Return Processing Delays Project Committee

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: An open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Return Processing Delays Project Committee will be conducted. The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

DATES: The meeting will be held Thursday, May 31, 2012 and Friday, June 1, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janice Spinks at 1-888-912-1227 or 206-220-6098.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Return Processing Delays Project Committee will be held Thursday, May 31, 2012, at 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday, June 1st from 8 a.m. to 12:00 noon Pacific Time at TAP Office, 915 2nd Avenue, MS W-406, Seattle, WA 98174. The public is invited to make oral comments or submit written statements for consideration. Notifications of intent to participate must be made with Ms. Janice Spinks. For more information please contact Ms. Spinks at 1-888-912-1227 or 206-220-6098, or write TAP Office, 915 2nd Avenue, MS W-406, Seattle, WA 98174 or post comments to the Web site: <http://www.improveirs.org>.

The agenda will include various IRS issues.