

(b) This memorandum does not affect either Executive Order 12807 of May 24, 1992, Interdiction of Illegal Aliens, or Executive Order 13276 of November 15, 2002, Delegation of Responsibilities Concerning Undocumented Aliens Interdicted or Intercepted in the Caribbean Region.

Sec. 5. General Provisions.

(a) Nothing in this memorandum shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect:

(i) the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof; or

(ii) the functions of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget relating to budgetary, administrative, or legislative proposals.

(b) This memorandum shall be implemented consistent with applicable laws and subject to the availability of appropriations.

(c) This memorandum is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

(d) The Secretary of State is hereby authorized and directed to publish this memorandum in the **Federal Register**.

Donald J. Trump

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. FD 36147]

Chesapeake and Indiana Railroad Company—Amended Operation Exemption—Town of North Judson, Ind.

Chesapeake and Indiana Railroad Company (CKIN), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to continue to operate an approximately 27.92-mile line of railroad owned by the Town of North Judson, Ind. (Town). The rail line extends between milepost CF 0.23, at Lacrosse, and milepost CF 15.23, at Wellsboro, and between milepost CI 218.0, at English Lake, and milepost CI 230.92, at Malden, in LaPorte, Porter, and Starke Counties, Ind. (the Line).

According to CKIN, the Board originally authorized CKIN's operation of the Line in 2004. *See Chesapeake & Ind. R.R.—Operation Exemption—Town of N. Judson, Ind.*, FD 34529 (STB

served Aug. 20, 2004).¹ On September 11, 2017, CKIN and the Town entered into a new 10-year agreement for CKIN to continue to operate over the Line.² CKIN states that the amended operating agreement will take effect on the effective date of this notice of exemption.

CKIN certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not result in the creation of a Class I or Class II rail carrier and will not exceed \$5 million. CKIN also states that there are no provisions or agreements limiting interchange with other carriers.

The transaction may be consummated on or after November 4, 2017, the effective date of the exemption (30 days after the verified notice of exemption was filed).

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 for stay must be filed no later than October 27, 2017 (at least seven days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 36147, 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 applicant's representative, John D. Heffner, Strasburger & Price, LLP, 1025 Connecticut Avenue NW., Suite 717, Washington, DC 20036.

According to CKIN, this action is categorically excluded from environmental review under 49 CFR 1105.6(c).

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Decided: October 17, 2017.

¹ CKIN states that it was selected by the Town to operate the Line pursuant to an Operating Agreement executed on July 31, 2004, and expiring on December 31, 2015. Subsequently, the parties extended the operating agreement, first until May 15, 2016, and later until August 15, 2016. During these extensions, CKIN initiated litigation in state court and brought a petition before the Board that was later denied. *See CSX Transp., Inc.—Aban. Exemption—in LaPorte, Porter, & Starke Cts., Ind.*, AB 55 (Sub-No. 643X) et al. (STB served May 31, 2017). Ultimately, the parties reached a mutually satisfactory settlement. *See CSX Transp., Inc.—Aban. Exemption—in LaPorte, Porter, & Starke Cts., Ind.*, AB 55 (Sub-No. 643X) et al. (STB served Oct. 2, 2017).

² CKIN states that the parties' operating agreement is automatically renewable at CKIN's option for two additional five-year terms, for a total occupancy of 20 years.

By the Board, Scott M. Zimmerman, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

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Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

[FHWA Docket No. FHWA-2017-0007]

Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act; Solicitation for Candidate Projects in the Interstate System Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Pilot Program (ISRRPP)

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice; solicitation for applications.

SUMMARY: The FHWA invites State transportation departments to submit applications for candidate projects in the Interstate System Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Pilot Program (ISRRPP), authorized in the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century and amended by the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act. Under the ISRRPP, FHWA may permit up to three States to collect tolls on a facility on the Interstate System for the purpose of reconstructing or rehabilitating Interstate highway corridors that could not otherwise be adequately maintained or functionally improved without the collection of tolls. This notice describes general program provisions, eligibility and selection criteria, and the application submission and evaluation process.

DATES: Applications are due to FHWA Division Offices by February 20, 2018. The FHWA will review these submissions and award up to three provisional approvals to States that will be expected to fully satisfy the ISRRPP criteria within 3 years. Should FHWA award fewer than three provisional approvals, it will re-solicit for applications at a future date.

The FHWA will conduct an information session regarding the ISRRPP in the form of a Webinar on November 13, 2017 at 2:00 p.m., e.t. For more information, please visit: https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/ipd/revenue/road_pricing/tolling_pricing/interstate_rr.aspx.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions about the pilot program: Ms. Cynthia Essenmacher, Center for Innovative Finance Support, Office of