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*Abstract of proposed collection:*

DDTC regulates the export and temporary import of defense articles and services enumerated on the USML in accordance with the Arms Export Control Act (AECA) (22 U.S.C. 2751 *et seq.*) and the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) (22 CFR parts 120–130). In accordance with section 39 of the AECA, the Secretary of State must require, in part, adequate and timely reporting of political contributions, gifts, commissions and fees paid, or offered or agreed to be paid in connection with the sales of defense articles or defense services licensed or approved under AECA sections 22 and 38. Pursuant to ITAR § 130.9(a), any person applying for a license or approval required under section 38 of the AECA for sale to the armed forces of a foreign country or international organization valued at \$500,000 or more must inform DDTC, and provide certain specified information, when they have paid, offered to, or agreed to pay, (1) political contributions in an aggregate amount of \$5,000 or greater; or (2) fees or commissions in an aggregate amount equaling or exceeding \$100,000. Similarly, ITAR § 130.9(b) requires any person who enters into a contract with the Department of Defense under section 22 of the AECA, valued at \$500,000 or more, to inform DDTC and provide the specified information, when they or their vendors, have paid, or offered or agreed to pay, in respect to any sale (1) political contributions in an aggregate amount of \$5,000 or greater; or (2) fees or commissions in an aggregate amount equaling or exceeding \$100,000. Respondents are also required to collect information pursuant to Sections 130.12 and 130.13 prior to submitting their report to DDTC.

*Methodology:* Respondents will submit information as attachments to relevant license applications or requests for other approval.

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## SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. AB 290 (Sub-No. 382X)]

### Norfolk Southern Railway Company— Discontinuance of Service Exemption—in Washington County, Pa.

Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR) has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR pt. 1152 subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments and Discontinuances of Service* to discontinue service over an approximately 7.58-mile rail line extending from milepost EL 11.818 (near Ellsworth) to milepost EL 19.4 (at Marianna) in Washington County, Pa. (the Line). The Line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 15345, 15360, 15331, and 15314.

NSR has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the Line for at least two years; (2) any overhead traffic on the Line can be rerouted over other lines; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the Line (or a state or local government entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the Line either is pending before the Surface Transportation Board (Board) or any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of the complainant within the two-year period; and (4) the requirements at 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 discontinuance of service 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 U.S.C. 10502(d) must be filed.

Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) <sup>1</sup> to subsidize continued rail service has been received, this exemption will be effective on September 14, 2018, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Formal expressions of intent to file an OFA

<sup>1</sup> The Board modified its OFA procedures effective July 29, 2017. Among other things, the OFA process now requires potential offerors, in their formal expression of intent, to make a preliminary financial responsibility showing based on a calculation using information contained in the carrier's filing and publicly available information. See *Offers of Financial Assistance*, EP 729 (STB served June 29, 2017); 82 FR 30,997 (July 5, 2017).

under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2) <sup>2</sup> must be filed by August 24, 2018. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues must be filed by August 27, 2018.<sup>3</sup> Petitions for reconsideration must be filed by September 4, 2018, with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423–0001.

A copy of any petition filed with Board should be sent to NSR's representative, William A. Mullins, Baker & Miller PLLC, 2401 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20037.

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

Board decisions and notices are available on our website at [WWW.STB.GOV](http://WWW.STB.GOV).

Decided: August 10, 2018.

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

**Raina Contee,**

*Clearance Clerk.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: QSA Customer Feedback Report

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.  
**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. The information is collected from holders of FAA production approvals and selected suppliers in the form of a feedback survey, to obtain their input on how well the agency is performing the administration and conduct of the Aircraft Certification Systems Quality System Audit (QSA).  
**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted by October 15, 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which currently is set at \$1,800. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

<sup>3</sup> Because this is a discontinuance proceeding and not an abandonment, trail use/rail banking and public use conditions are not appropriate. Because there will be an environmental review during abandonment, this discontinuance does not require environmental review.