

DEPARTMENT OF STATE**[Public Notice 10595]****60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Overseas Schools Grant Status Report****ACTION:** Notice of request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

DATES: The Department will accept comments from the public up to January 22, 2019.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Web:* Persons with access to the internet may comment on this notice by going to www.Regulations.gov. You can search for the document by entering "Docket Number: DOS-2018-0051" in the Search field. Then click the "Comment Now" button and complete the comment form.

- *Email:* shearertp@state.gov.
- *Regular Mail:* Send written comments to: Office of Overseas Schools, U.S. Department of State, 2201 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20520.
- *Fax:* 202-261-8224.

You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and the OMB control number in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to Thomas Shearer, Department of State, Office of Overseas Schools, A/OPR/OS, Room H328, SA-1, Washington, DC 20522-0132, who may be reached on 202-261-8200 or at shearertp@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- *Title of Information Collection:* Overseas Schools Grant Status Report.
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0033.
- *Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.
- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Administration, A/OPR/OS.
- *Form Number:* DS-2028.
- *Respondents:* Overseas schools grantees.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 192.

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- *Average Time per Response:* 15 minutes.

- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 48 hours.

- *Frequency:* Annually.

- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.

- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

Abstract of Proposed Collection

The Office of Overseas Schools of the Department of State (A/OPR/OS) is responsible for determining that adequate educational opportunities exist at Foreign Service Posts for dependents of U.S. Government personnel stationed abroad, and for assisting American-sponsored overseas schools to demonstrate U.S. educational philosophy and practice. The information gathered provides the technical and professional staff of A/OPR/OS the means by which obligations, expenditures and reimbursements of the grant funds are monitored to ensure the grantee is in compliance with the terms of the grant.

Methodology

Information is collected via electronic and paper submission.

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Acting Executive Director, Bureau of Administration, Department of State.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**[Docket No. FD 36245]****Paul Didelius—Continuance in Control Exemption—KET, LLC**

Paul Didelius (Didelius), an individual and noncarrier,¹ has filed a verified notice of exemption pursuant to 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2) to continue in control of KET, LLC (KET), upon KET's becoming a Class III rail carrier.

This transaction is related to a concurrently filed verified notice of exemption in *KET, LLC—Operation Exemption—Lines of Railroad in Benton County, Wash.*, Docket No. FD 36244, in which KET seeks Board approval under 49 CFR 1150.31 to operate two industrial spurs totaling approximately 1.28 miles in length in Kennewick and Hedges, Benton County, Wash.

The transaction may be consummated on or after December 5, 2018, the effective date of the exemption (30 days after the verified notice of exemption was filed).

Didelius represents that: (1) The rail properties that will be operated and controlled by Didelius, namely LRY, YCR, CCET, WRL, CWW, and KET, do not physically connect; (2) there are no plans to acquire additional rail lines for the purpose of making a connection; and (3) each of the carriers involved in the continuance in control transaction is a Class III carrier. Therefore, the transaction is exempt from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323. *See* 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2).

Under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), the Board may not use its exemption authority to relieve a rail carrier of its statutory obligation to protect the interests of its employees. Section 11326(c), however, does not provide for labor protection for transactions under §§ 11324 and 11325 that involve only Class III rail carriers. Accordingly, the Board may not impose labor protective conditions here, because all of the carriers involved are Class III carriers.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption

¹Didelius currently owns 100% of LRY, LLC d/b/a Lake Railway (LRY), a Class III carrier that leases and operates rail lines owned by Union Pacific Railroad Company and Lake County, Or., in California and Oregon; 49% of YCR Corporation (YCR), a Class III rail carrier established for the purpose of leasing and operating a line of railroad owned by Yakima County, Wash.; 100% of CCET, LLC (CCET), a Class III short line rail carrier organized for the purpose of leasing and operating a rail line owned by Norfolk Southern Railway Company in Ohio; 100% of WRL, LLC (WRL), a Class III carrier that leases and operates a rail line owned by Port of Royal Slope, a Washington state municipal corporation, in Washington; and 100% of CWW, LLC (CWW), a Class III carrier that leases and operates a line of railroad owned by the Port of Columbia, Wash.