

Pursuant to Section 2(c) of E.O. 13894, the Secretary of State selected the following sanctions to be imposed upon Ali Abdullah Ayoub:

- Prohibit any United States financial institution that is a U.S. person from making loans or providing credits to Ali Abdullah Ayoub totaling more than \$10,000,000 in any 12-month period, unless Ali Abdullah Ayoub is engaged in activities to relieve human suffering and the loans or credits are provided for such activities (Section 2(c)(i) of E.O. 13894)

- prohibit any transactions in foreign exchange that are subject to the jurisdiction of the United States and in which Ali Abdullah Ayoub has any interest (Section 2(c)(ii) of E.O. 13894);

- prohibit any transfers of credit or payments between banking institutions or by, through, or to any banking institution, to the extent that such transfers or payments are subject to the jurisdiction of the United States and involve any interest of Ali Abdullah Ayoub (Section 2(c)(iii) of E.O. 13894);

- block all property and interests in property that are in the United States, that hereafter come within the United States, or that are or hereafter come within the possession or control of any United States person of Ali Abdullah Ayoub, and provide that such property and interests in property may not be transferred, paid, exported, withdrawn, or otherwise dealt in (Section 2(c)(iv) of E.O. 13894);

- prohibit any United States person from investing in or purchasing significant amounts of equity or debt instruments of Ali Abdullah Ayoub (Section 2(c)(v) of E.O. 13894);

- restrict or prohibit imports of goods, technology, or services, directly or indirectly, into the United States from Ali Abdullah Ayoub (Section 2(c)(vi) of E.O. 13894).

**Taylor V. Ruggles,**

*Director, Office of Economic Sanctions Policy and Implementation, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State.*

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## SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. AB 303 (Sub-No. 55X)]

### Wisconsin Central Ltd.— Discontinuance of Service Exemption—in Manitowoc County, Wis.

Wisconsin Central Ltd. (WCL) has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR part 1152 subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments and*

*Discontinuances of Service* to discontinue service over approximately five miles of rail line between milepost 74.00 at Manitowoc and milepost 69.00 at Newton, all of which is in Manitowoc County, Wis. (the Line). The Line traverses U.S. Postal Service Zip Codes 54220 and 53063.

WCL has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the Line for at least two years; (2) overhead traffic (to the extent any exists) 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 with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) or any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of a 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 July 25, 2020, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues must be filed by July 2, 2020, and formal expressions of intent to file an OFA to subsidize continued rail service under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2) <sup>2</sup> must be filed by July 6, 2020.<sup>3</sup> Petitions for reconsideration must be filed by July 15, 2020, with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423–0001.

<sup>1</sup> Persons interested in submitting an OFA to subsidize continued rail service must first file a formal expression of intent to file an offer, indicating the intent to file an OFA for subsidy and demonstrating that they are preliminarily financially responsible. See 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2)(i).

<sup>2</sup> The filing fee for OFAs can be found at 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

<sup>3</sup> Because this is a discontinuance proceeding and not an abandonment, interim 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.

A copy of any petition filed with Board should be sent to WCL's representative, Bradon J. Smith, Fletcher & Sippel LLC, 29 N Wacker Drive, Suite 800, Chicago, IL 60606.

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

Board decisions and notices are available at [www.stb.gov](http://www.stb.gov).

Decided: June 22, 2020.

By the Board, Allison C. Davis, Director, Office of Proceedings.

**Kenyatta Clay,**  
*Clearance Clerk.*

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## OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

[Docket Number USTR–2020–0025]

### Request for Comments Concerning the Extension of Particular Exclusions Granted Under the September 2019 Product Exclusion Notice From the \$16 Billion Action Pursuant to Section 301: China's Acts, Policies, and Practices Related to Technology Transfer, Intellectual Property, and Innovation

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** Effective August 23, 2018, the U.S. Trade Representative imposed additional duties on goods of China with an annual trade value of approximately \$16 billion as part of the action in the Section 301 investigation of China's acts, policies, and practices related to technology transfer, intellectual property, and innovation. The U.S. Trade Representative initiated the exclusion process in September 2018 and granted multiple sets of exclusions. The second set of exclusions was granted in September 2019, and are scheduled to expire on September 20, 2020. The U.S. Trade Representative has decided to consider a possible extension for up to 12 months of particular exclusions granted in September 2019. The Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) invites public comment on whether to extend particular exclusions.

**DATES:**

*July 1, 2020 at 12:01 a.m. ET:* The public docket on the web portal at <https://comments.USTR.gov> will open for parties to submit comments on the possible extension of particular exclusions.