DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 11435]


SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: I hereby determine that certain objects being imported from abroad pursuant to agreements with their foreign owners or custodians for temporary display in the exhibition “Private Lives: Home and Family in the Art of the Nabis, Paris, 1889–1900” at the Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland, Ohio, at the Portland Art Museum, Portland, Oregon, and at possible additional exhibitions or venues yet to be determined, are of cultural significance, and, further, that their temporary exhibition or display within the United States as aforementioned is in the national interest. I have ordered that Public Notice of these determinations be published in the Federal Register.


Matthew R. Lussenhop,
Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. FD 36520]

Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad LLC—Continuance in Control Exemption—Gulf & Ship Island Railroad LLC

Chicago Rock Island & Pacific Railroad LLC (CRIP), a Class III carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2) to continue in control of Gulf & Ship Island Railroad LLC (GSIR), a noncarrier controlled by CRIP, upon GSIR’s becoming a carrier.

This transaction is related to a verified notice of exemption filed concurrently in Gulf & Ship Island Railroad LLC—Lease & Operation Exemption—Rail Line of Harrison County Development Commission at or Near Gulfport, Harrison County, Miss., Docket No. FD 36519, in which GSIR seeks to lease from Harrison County Development Commission, acting with the Harrison County Board of Supervisors, and operate approximately 5 miles of industrial lead tracks known as the Seaway Lead, in Harrison County, Miss.

The transaction may be consummated on or after July 1, 2021, the effective date of the exemption (30 days after the verified notice was filed).1

According to the verified notice of exemption, CRIP currently owns and operates Mississippi Delta Railroad LLC (MSDR), a Class III rail carrier operating solely in the state of Mississippi.

CRIP represents that: (1) The rail line to be leased and operated by GSIR does not connect with the rail lines of any of the rail carriers controlled by CRIP; (2) the transaction is not part of a series of anticipated transactions that would connect GSIR with any railroad in the CRIP corporate family; and (3) the transaction does not involve a Class I rail carrier. The proposed transaction is therefore exempt from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323 pursuant to 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. However, 49 U.S.C. 11326(c) does not provide for labor protection for transactions under 49 U.S.C. 1124 and 11325 that involve only Class III rail carriers. Because this transaction involves Class III rail carriers only, the Board, under the statute, may not impose labor protective conditions for this transaction.

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 June 24, 2021 (at

1 CRIP initially submitted its notice of exemption on May 17, 2021, but supplemented it by letter on June 1, 2021. The date of CRIP’s supplement will be considered the filing date for purposes of calculating the effective date of the exemption.