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Mr. Henry W. Sweet, General Manager  
Savannah State Docks Railroad Company  
P.O. Box 1039  
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Sir:

In a certificate dated December 29, 1952 the Interstate Commerce Commission authorized the operation by the Savannah State Docks Railroad Company of a line of railroad in the vicinity of Savannah, Georgia, Savannah State Docks Railroad Company, Finance Docket No. 17936, \_\_\_ I.C.C. \_\_\_.

In the Commission's report it is stated that the Savannah Docks Railroad Company is an unincorporated organization created on October 6, 1952 by the Georgia Ports Authority for the purpose of providing rail transportation to the facilities operated by it; that the operation by the Savannah State Docks Railroad Company is to consist of a line of railroad between its connection with the Atlantic Coast Line, the Savannah and Atlanta, the Chatham Terminal and the Seaboard, on the one hand, and the various docks, sheds, warehouses and other sidings located wholly within the confines of the Georgia Ports Authority at Savannah, Georgia, on the other; that the support of the line will be derived solely from the charges it receives for switching service, weighing service and demurrage, and that the major portion of its revenue will accrue from switching charges assessed in connection with line-haul movements, which charges will be absorbed by the line-haul carriers.

Since the foregoing indicates that the Savannah State Docks Railroad Company will operate in interstate commerce as a common carrier by railroad it appears that it will qualify as an employer under the Railroad Retirement Act and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, which Acts are administered by this Board.

In order that we may determine the date on which such coverage commenced, please furnish this Bureau with the date on which the line was put in operation and the effective dates of all tariffs, concurrences or powers of attorney filed by the Savannah State Docks Railroad

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Company with the Interstate Commerce Commission. After receipt of the above-requested information you will be advised concerning reports and other requirements under the Railroad Retirement Act and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act.

Your cooperation in this matter will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Myles F. Gibbons  
General Counsel

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