

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**Data Collection Available for Public Comments and Recommendations**

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Small Business Administration's intentions to request approval on a new and/or currently approved information collection.

DATES: Submit comments on or before December 20, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments regarding whether this information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, whether the burden estimates are accurate, and if there are ways to minimize the estimated burden and enhance the quality of the collection, to Rachel Newman Karton, Program Manager, Office of Small Business Development Centers, Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW., Suite 6400, Washington, DC 20416.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rachel Newman Karton, Program Manager, (202) 619-1816 or Curtis B. Rich, Management Analyst, (202) 205-7030.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: "Quarterly Reports for Drug Free Workplace Program."

Description of Respondents: Eligible Intermediaries who have received a Drug Free Workplace Program grant.

Form No: N/A.

Annual Responses: 48.

Annual Burden: 1,344.

Jacqueline White,

Chief, Administrative Information Branch.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 4863]

Rescission of Determination Regarding Iraq

In accordance with Section 6(j) of the Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. App. 2405(j)), I hereby rescind the Determination of September 13, 1990 (Public Notice 1264) that Iraq is a country which has repeatedly provided support for acts of international terrorism.

This action is a further step to cement the partnership of the United States and Iraq in combating acts of international terrorism, and is an act of symbolic

importance to the new Iraqi government. This rescission is appropriate although nearly all the restrictions applicable to countries that have supported terrorism, including the application of 22 U.S.C. 1605(a)(7), were made inapplicable with respect to Iraq permanently in Presidential Directive No. 2003-23 of May 7, 2003, pursuant to sec. 1503 of Pub. L. 108-11, and as affirmed in the Conference Report for Pub. L. 108-106.

This rescission shall also satisfy the provisions of section 620A(c)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, Pub. L. 87-195, as amended, and section 40(f)(1)(A) of the Arms Export Control Act, Pub. L. 90-629, as amended.

Dated: October 7, 2004.

Colin L. Powell,

Secretary of State, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 4823]

Shipping Coordinating Committee Notice of Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SCC) will conduct an open meeting between 10:30 a.m. and 12 p.m. on Wednesday, 10 November 2004, in Room 4420, at U. S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The primary purpose of the meeting is to finalize preparations for the 93rd Session of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) to be held at the IMO Headquarters in London, England from 15 November to 19 November 2004.

The primary matters to be considered include:

- Report on the status of Conventions and other multilateral instruments.
- Consideration of the strategy and policy of the Organization.
- Voluntary IMO Member State Audit Scheme.
- Resource management and other financial matters.
- Consideration of the report of the Organization's Committees.
- Report on World Maritime Day 2004.

Members of the public may attend these meetings up to the seating capacity of the room. Interested persons may seek information by writing: Director, International Affairs, U.S. Coast Guard (G-CI), 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001 or by calling: (202) 267-2246.

Dated: October 12, 2004.

Margaret F. Hayes,

Chairman, Shipping Coordinating Committee, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Surface Transportation Board**

[STB Finance Docket No. 34540]

The Columbus & Ohio River Rail Road Company—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Rail Lines of CSX Transportation, Inc.

The Columbus & Ohio River Rail Road Company (CUOH), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to acquire and operate, pursuant to an agreement with CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT), approximately 114 miles of rail line: (1) By purchase, between Columbus, OH, milepost BP 138.0, and Newark, OH, milepost BQ 0.0, totalling approximately 32.6 miles;¹ and (2) by lease, between Mt. Vernon, OH, milepost BQ 25.9, and Cambridge, OH, milepost BP 49.49, via Newark, milepost BQ 0.0, totalling approximately 81.4 miles.² The lines are located in Franklin, Licking, Muskingum, Knox, and Guernsey Counties, OH. CUOH states that following this transaction, CSXT will no longer operate trains on any of the above-described rail lines, and that CUOH will be the sole operator of the rail lines. The transaction also includes approximately 1.5 miles of incidental trackage rights assigned by CSXT to CUOH over a line of the Ohio Southern Railroad, Inc. (OSR)³ between milepost 16.7 and milepost 18.2 in Zanesville, OH.⁴

¹ CSXT presently holds a 50% ownership interest in the rail line from Columbus to Newark (the C&N Subdivision). The balance of the ownership interest in this line is held by the State of Ohio, and both CUOH and CSXT currently hold operating rights over the C&N Subdivision. *See Caprail I—Acquisition Exemption—Consolidated Rail Corporation*, Finance Docket No. 31961 (Sub-No. 1), *Ohio Department of Transportation—Lease Exemption—Caprail I Lines in Ohio*, Finance Docket No. 31961 (Sub-No.2), and *Columbus & Ohio River Railroad Company—Lease and Operation Exemption—Ohio Department of Transportation Lines*, Finance Docket No. 31961 (Sub-No. 3) (ICC served Jan. 15, 1992). CUOH states that, through this transaction, it will purchase CSXT's 50% share in the Columbus to Newark line.

² The line to be leased consists of the Lake Erie Subdivision (Newark to Mt. Vernon) and the Central Ohio Subdivision (Newark to Cambridge).

³ OSR and CUOH are subsidiaries of Summit View, Inc., a noncarrier holding company.

⁴ Prior to this transaction, CUOH and the Ohio Central Railroad (OHCR) interchanged traffic at Morgan Run (Coshocton), OH. Following this

Because CUOH's projected annual revenues will exceed \$5 million, CUOH certified to the Board on August 30, 2004, that it had complied with the requirements of 49 CFR 1150.42(e) providing for notice to employees and their labor unions on the affected lines. CUOH also certified that its projected revenues as a result of this transaction would not result in the creation of a Class II or Class I rail carrier.

The transaction is scheduled to be consummated on October 29, 2004, which is 60 days after CUOH's certification to the Board that it has complied with the Board's rule at 49 CFR 1150.42(e).

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 transaction.⁵

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34540, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Andrew B. Kolesar III, Slover & Loftus, 1224 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

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Decided: October 14, 2004.

By the Board, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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transaction, CUOH and OHCR will exchange traffic at both Coshocton and Zanesville.

⁵ On September 13, 2004, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers & Trainmen (BLET) filed a protest asking the Board to reject CUOH's notice and a notice filed in *Indiana & Ohio Central Railroad, Inc.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—CSX Transportation, Inc.*, STB Finance Docket No. 34536 (STB served Oct. 1, 2004), for another shortline carrier to operate through lease approximately 107 miles of CSXT's rail line between NA Tower, OH, and Oakley, OH, and Oakley and Columbus, Ohio. On September 15, 2004, the United Transportation Union (UTU) filed a pleading titled as a petition to revoke, seeking relief identical to that sought by BLET. In their filings, BLET and UTU sought the same relief regarding CUOH's notice filed here.

On September 24, 2004, an amended petition to revoke was filed by UTU. By facsimile filed on September 30, 2004, UTU certified to the Board that it served a copy of its pleadings upon CUOH. And, on October 1, 2004, Indiana & Ohio Central Railroad, Inc. filed a reply. The Board will address these filings in a subsequent decision.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 252X)]

Norfolk Southern Railway Company— Abandonment Exemption—in Nottoway, Prince Edward, Cumberland, and Appomattox Counties, VA

On September 30, 2004, Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR) filed with the Surface Transportation Board a petition under 49 U.S.C. 10502 for exemption from the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 10903 to abandon an approximately 33.8-mile line of railroad between milepost N-134.10 near Burkeville and milepost 167.90 near Pamplin City, in Nottoway, Prince Edward, Cumberland, and Appomattox Counties, VA. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 23040, 23901, 23909, 23922, 23958, 23960, and 23966. The line includes the stations of Rice, Farmville, and Prospect. Service will continue to the stations of Burkeville and Pamplin.

The line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in NSR's possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it.

The interest of railroad employees will be protected by the conditions set forth in *Oregon Short Line R. Co.—Abandonment—Goshen*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979).

By issuance of this notice, the Board is instituting an exemption proceeding pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10502(b). A final decision will be issued by January 18, 2005.

Any offer of financial assistance (OFA) under 49 CFR 1152.27(b)(2) will be due no later than 10 days after service of a decision granting the petition for exemption. Each OFA must be accompanied by a \$1,100 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).¹

All interested persons should be aware that, following abandonment of rail service and salvage of the line, the line may be suitable for other public use, including interim trail use. Any request for a public use condition under 49 CFR 1152.28 or for trail use/rail banking under 49 CFR 1152.29 will be due no later than November 9, 2004. Each trail use request must be accompanied by a \$200 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(27).

¹ Effective October 31, 2004, the filing fee for an OFA will increase to \$1,200. See *Regulations Governing Fees for Services Performed in Connection with Licensing and Related Services—2004 Update*, STB Ex Parte No. 542 (Sub-No. 11) (STB served Oct. 1, 2004).

All filings in response to this notice must refer to STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 252X) and must be sent to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001; and (2) James R. Paschall, Norfolk Southern Railway Company, Three Commercial Place, Norfolk, VA 23510. Replies to the petition are due on or before November 9, 2004.

Persons seeking further information concerning abandonment procedures may contact the Board's Office of Public Services at (202) 565-1592 or refer to the full abandonment regulations at 49 CFR part 1152. Questions concerning environmental issues may be directed to the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) at (202) 565-1539. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.]

An environmental assessment (EA) (or environmental impact statement (EIS), if necessary) prepared by SEA will be served upon all parties of record and upon any agencies or other persons who commented during its preparation. Other interested persons may contact SEA to obtain a copy of the EA (or EIS). EAs in these abandonment proceedings normally will be made available within 60 days of the filing of the petition. The deadline for submission of comments on the EA will generally be within 30 days of its service.

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Decided: October 13, 2004.

By the Board, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Presidential Determination Concerning Libya and Delegation of Authority to the Secretary of the Treasury; Report of the Secretary of the Treasury to the Congress

AGENCY: Departmental Offices, Treasury.
ACTION: Notice.

DATES: Presidential Determination 2004-48 was issued September 20, 2004. The report of the Secretary of the Treasury to the Congress was issued October 6, 2004.

SUMMARY: On September 20, 2004, the President issued Presidential Determination 2004-48. In Presidential