Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before June 6, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2005 21097. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, Department of Transportation, 400 7th St., SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at http:// dmses.dot.gov/submit/. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available on the World Wide Web at http://dms.dot.gov.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sharon Cassidy, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, MAR–830 Room 7201, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202–366–5506.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel STEPPING STONE is:

Intended Use: "6 passenger day sails/ sunset sails."

*Geographic Region:* "East Coast of the U.S. including West Coast of Florida."

Dated: April 27, 2005.

By order of the Maritime Administrator. Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration. [FR Doc. 05–8925 Filed 5–4–05; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–81–P

# **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Maritime Administration**

[Docket Number 2005-21095]

# Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation. **ACTION:** Invitation for public comments on a requested administrative waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws for the vessel WINDSONG.

**SUMMARY:** As authorized by Public Law 105–383 and Public Law 107–295, the Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized

to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below. The complete application is given in DOT docket 2005-21095 at http://dms.dot.gov. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S. flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with Public Law 105-383 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388 (68 FR 23084; April 30, 2003), that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before June 6, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2005-21095. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk. U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, Department of Transportation, 400 7th St., SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at http:// dmses.dot.gov/submit/. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available on the World Wide Web at http://dms.dot.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon Cassidy, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, MAR–830 Room 7201, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202–366–5506.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel WINDSONG is:

*Intended Use:* "Half and full day sailing charters for 6 passengers. Pleasure cruises only."

*Geographic Region:* "State of Florida." Dated: April 27, 2005. By order of the Maritime Administrator. Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration. [FR Doc. 05–8923 Filed 5–4–05; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–81–P

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34691]

## Stockton Terminal & Eastern Railroad—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Rail Line of Union Pacific Railroad Company

Stockton Terminal & Eastern Railroad (STE), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to acquire, from Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP), and operate approximately 1.07-miles of rail line (UP's former Oakdale Branch), between milepost 91.83 and the end of the track at California State Highway 99, milepost 92.9 in Stockton, San Joaquin County, CA.

STE indicates that the transaction will be consummated no sooner than 7 days after filing this notice. Because the notice was filed on April 14, 2005, the earliest the transaction could be consummated was April 21, 2005. STE 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.

If the 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.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34691, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423– 0001. In addition, one copy of each pleading must be served on Thomas F. McFarland, 208 South LaSalle Street, Suite 1890, Chicago, IL 60604–1112.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at *www.stb.dot.gov.* 

Decided: April 25, 2005.

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

#### Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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