

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Surface Transportation Board****[STB Finance Docket No. 34976]****BNSF Railway Company—Lease and Operation Exemption—Interlocker Plant of the Illinois Central Railroad Company****AGENCY:** Surface Transportation Board.**ACTION:** Notice of exemption.

SUMMARY: Under 49 U.S.C. 10502, the Board is granting a petition for exemption from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323 *et seq.*, for BNSF Railway Company, a Class I rail carrier, to lease and operate an interlocker plant and underlying land owned by the Illinois Central Railroad Company (CN), a Class I rail carrier. The interlocker plant, which is situated at or near BNSF's Corwith Yard in the City of Chicago, Cook County, IL, includes all signal appliances and structures thereon and the tower facility, but excludes the tracks, track appurtenances, turnouts and derrails of CN and BNSF. The interlocker plant is bounded by: (i) The opposing home signals on the BNSF Joliet, IL-Chicago main line; (ii) the opposing home signals on the CN Joliet-Chicago main line; and (iii) the opposing home signals on the BNSF Joliet-Chicago main line and the BNSF Wye.

DATES: The exemption will be effective on March 5, 2007. Petitions to reopen must be filed by March 15, 2007.

ADDRESSES: An original and 10 copies of all pleadings referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34976 must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, one copy of all pleadings must be served on petitioner's representative: Sidney L. Strickland, Jr., 3050 K Street, NW., Suite 101, Washington, DC 20007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph H. Dettmar, (202) 565-1609. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.]

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Additional information is contained in the Board's decision. To purchase a copy of the full decision, write to, e-mail, or call: ASAP Document Solutions, 9332 Annapolis Rd., Suite 103, Lanham, MD 20706; e-mail: asapdc@verizon.net; telephone: (202) 306-4004. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through FIRS at 1-800-877-8339.]

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Decided: February 21, 2007.

By the Board, Chairman Nottingham, Vice Chairman Buttrey, and Commissioner Mulvey.

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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BILLING CODE 4915-01-P**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Surface Transportation Board****[STB Finance Docket No. 35000]****TRI Railroad, LLC—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—TRI Owners Association**

Tri Railroad, LLC (Railroad), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to acquire from Tri Owners Association (Owners), and operate two track segments as follows: (1) Track A, which extends from point of connection with Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) at Engineering Station 1+59 near UP milepost 259.20 to Engineering Station 123+74 at the end of track at or near Tahoe/Reno Industrial Center, a distance of approximately 12,215 track feet or 2.31 miles; and (2) Track B, which parallels Track A for a distance of approximately 2,202 track feet or .42 miles, for a total of 14,417 track feet or 2.73 miles, all located in Patrick, Storey County, NV.¹

Railroad states that, in addition to connecting with UP, the rail line will also connect with BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) at Patrick. According to Railroad, UP owns the connecting trackage at Patrick, but BNSF has trackage rights over UP's trackage and will be able to interchange traffic with Railroad. Railroad further states that, although the line has been owned and operated by Owners as private track, an agreement has been reached where Owners has agreed to convey the line to its affiliated corporation, Railroad, for operation as a common carrier rail line.

Railroad certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of the transaction will not exceed those that would qualify it as a Class III rail carrier and will not exceed \$5 million.

The earliest this transaction may be consummated is the March 18, 2007 effective date of the exemption (30 days after the exemption was filed).

¹ According to Railroad, the line does not have mileposts.

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. Petitions for stay must be filed no later than March 9, 2007 (at least 7 days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 35000, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Thomas F. McFarland, 208 South LaSalle St., Suite 1890, Chicago, IL 60604-1112.

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Decided: February 21, 2007.

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

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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BILLING CODE 4915-01-P**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY****Internal Revenue Service****Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 6197**

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 6197, Gas Guzzler Tax.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before April 30, 2007 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Glenn Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6512, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Larnice Mack at