

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Railroad Administration****Notice of Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System or Relief From Requirements**

Pursuant to Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 235 and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), the following railroads have petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval for the discontinuance or modification of the signal system or relief from the requirements of 49 CFR part 236 as detailed below.

Docket Number: FRA-2006-24229.

Applicant: Union Pacific Railroad Company, Mr. W. E. Wimmer, Vice President—Engineering, 1400 Douglas Street, Mail Stop 0910, Omaha, Nebraska 68179.

The Union Pacific Railroad Company seeks approval of the proposed modification of the traffic control system, on Main Tracks No.'s 1, 2, and 3, at milepost 510.8, near Cheyenne, Wyoming, on the Laramie Subdivision, consisting of the discontinuance and removal of three power-operated derrails within the limits CP W511. The reason given for the proposed changes is that the derrails are no longer needed.

Any interested party desiring to protest the granting of an application shall set forth specifically the grounds upon which the protest is made, and contain a concise statement of the interest of the party in the proceeding. Additionally, one copy of the protest shall be furnished to the applicant at the address listed above.

All communications concerning this proceeding should be identified by the docket number and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PL-401 (Plaza Level), 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by the FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.—5 p.m.) at the above facility. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FRA wishes to inform all potential commenters that anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our

dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78) or you may visit <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FRA expects to be able to determine these matters without an oral hearing. However, if a specific request for an oral hearing is accompanied by a showing that the party is unable to adequately present his or her position by written statements, an application may be set for public hearing.

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Deputy Associate Administrator for Safety Standards and Program Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Maritime Administration**

[USCG-2004-17659]

Compass Port LLC Liquefied Natural Gas Deepwater Port License; Final Environmental Impact Statement and Final Public Hearings

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of availability; notice of public hearing; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Maritime Administration (MARAD) announces the availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Compass Port natural gas deepwater port license application. MARAD, the Coast Guard, FERC and USACE request public comments on the FEIS. The USCG and MARAD will hold public hearings, and request public comments, on matters relevant to the approval or denial of the license application. The application describes a project that would be located in the Mobile Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) and Mississippi Sound areas of the U.S. Gulf of Mexico, in lease block Mobile 910, approximately 11 miles south of Dauphin Island, Alabama.

DATES: The public hearing on Dauphin Island, Alabama will be held on April 26, 2006, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., and will be preceded by an informational open house from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The public hearing in Pascagoula, Mississippi will be held on April 27, 2006, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., and will be

preceded by an informational open house from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The public hearings may end later than the stated time, depending on the number of persons wishing to speak. Material submitted in response to the request for comments must reach the Docket Management Facility on or before May 22, 2006, ending the 45 day public comment period. Federal and State agencies may submit comments on the application, recommended conditions for licensing, or letters of no objection by June 11, 2006 (45 days after the final public hearings). Also by June 11, 2006, the Governors of the adjacent coastal states of Alabama and Mississippi may approve, disapprove, or notify MARAD of inconsistencies with State programs relating to environmental protection, land and water use, and coastal zone management for which MARAD may condition the license to make consistent. MARAD must issue a record of decision (ROD) to approve, approve with conditions, or deny the DWP license application by July 26, 2006 (90 days after the public hearings).

ADDRESSES: The public hearing and informational open house in Dauphin Island, Alabama will be held at: Dauphin Island Chamber of Commerce, 402 La Vente Street, Dauphin Island, Alabama 36528, phone: 251-861-5524.

The public hearing and informational open house in Pascagoula, Mississippi will be held at: Pascagoula High School Library, 1716 Tucker Avenue, Pascagoula, Mississippi 39567, phone: 228-938-6451.

A copy of the FEIS, license application, and associated documentation is available for viewing at the DOT's docket management Web site: <http://dms.dot.gov> under docket number 17659. Copies are also available for review at Pascagoula Public Library, Pascagoula, MS, phone: 228-769-3060; Spring Hill College Library, Mobile, AL, phone: 251-380-3870; Mose Hudson Tapia Public Library, Bayou La Batre, AL, phone: 334-824-4213; Bell/Whittington Public Library, Portland, TX, phone: 361-777-0921; and Corpus Christi Public Library, Corpus Christi, TX, phone: 361-758-5276.

Address docket submissions for USCG-2004-17659 to: Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

The Docket Management Facility accepts hand-delivered submissions, and makes docket contents available for public inspection and copying, at this address, in room PL-401, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through