

crews endangered by an encounter with a underwater pipeline.

2. Identify and caution marine vessel operators in offshore shipping lanes and other offshore areas where Hurricane Katrina may have affected a pipeline that deploying fishing nets or anchors, and dredging operations may damage the pipeline, their vessels, and endanger their crews.

3. In the process of bringing offshore and inland transmission facilities back online, check for structural damage to piping, valves, emergency shutdown systems, risers and supporting systems. Aerial inspections of pipeline routes should be conducted to check for leaks in the transmission systems. In areas where floating and jack-up rigs have moved and their path could have been over the pipelines, review possible routes and check for sub-sea pipeline damage where required.

4. Identify and correct any conditions on the pipeline as required by the Federal pipeline safety regulations.

PHMSA would appreciate receiving information about all damage to pipeline facilities in the Gulf of Mexico and adjacent State waters caused by Hurricane Katrina. The Federal pipeline safety regulations require that operators report certain incidents and accidents to PHMSA by specific methods. Damage not reported by these methods may be reported to Joy Kadnar at (202) 366-0568 or joy.kadnar@dot.gov.

(49 U.S.C. Chapter 601; 49 CFR 1.53).

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Joy Kadnar,

Director of Engineering and Engineering Support.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

Pipeline Safety Advisory: Potential for Damage to Natural Gas Distribution Pipeline Facilities Caused by the Passage of Hurricane Katrina

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice; issuance of advisory bulletin.

SUMMARY: PHMSA is issuing this advisory bulletin to owners and operators of natural gas distribution pipeline facilities to communicate the potential for damage to pipeline

facilities caused by the passage of Hurricane Katrina on August 29, 2005.

ADDRESSES: This document can be viewed on the Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS) Home page at: <http://ops.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joy Kadnar, (202) 366-0568, or by e-mail at Joy.Kadnar@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The purpose of this advisory bulletin is to warn all operators of natural gas distribution pipeline facilities that safety problems may have been caused by the passage of Hurricane Katrina on August 29, 2005.

Past instances of flooding have resulted in significant pipeline system damage including exposed pipes, failure of pipelines crossing rivers and streams, damage to meter sets, pipeline leaks from soil movement, and water leaking into pipeline systems. Due to the storm surge and extensive flooding caused by Hurricane Katrina, extensive damage to facilities may be expected.

The Federal pipeline safety regulations (49 CFR part 192) require operators to shut down and start up pipeline facilities in a safe manner and to conduct periodic pipeline patrols to detect unusual operating and maintenance conditions and to take corrective action if conditions are unsafe.

Gas pipeline safety regulations require that operators mitigate the safety condition if a pipeline facility is damaged. The regulations require damaged pipeline facilities be repaired or replaced as necessary to eliminate the hazard, and that damage resulting in a death or injury or exceeding \$50,000 must be promptly reported to the National Response Center (NRC) at 1-800-424-8802.

II. Advisory Bulletin (ADB-05-07)

To: Owners and operators of natural gas distribution pipeline facilities.

Subject: Potential for damage to natural gas distribution pipeline facilities caused by the passage of Hurricane Katrina.

Advisory: All operators of natural gas distribution pipeline facilities in the states of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida are warned that pipeline safety problems may have been caused by the passage of Hurricane Katrina on August 29, 2005. Likely problems include but are not limited to damage of above ground equipment due to flooding and flying debris, damage to buried pipelines from soil movement, and water leaking into low pressure pipelines.

Pipeline operators are urged to take the following actions to ensure personal and environmental safety and the integrity of natural gas distribution pipeline facilities located in areas impacted by Hurricane Katrina:

1. Conduct additional leak surveys and inspection of above ground equipment as necessary to detect any damage which may have occurred.

2. For distribution systems or portions of systems that have been shut down, check for damage to piping, valves, emergency shutdown systems, risers and meter sets prior to restoring system operation and relighting customers.

3. Check for water that may have leaked into low pressure systems.

4. Identify and correct any conditions on the pipeline as required by the Federal pipeline safety regulations. (49 U.S.C. Chapter 601; 49 CFR 1.53).

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34742]

Murray-Calloway Economic Development Corporation—Acquisition Exemption—Hardin Southern Railroad, Inc.

Murray-Calloway Economic Development Corporation (EDC), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to acquire by purchase from Hardin Southern Railroad, Inc., a rail line between milepost 38.34, near Murray, in Calloway County, KY, and milepost 30, near Hardin, in Marshall County, KY, a total distance of 8.34 miles.¹ EDC states that it does not intend to operate the line or to hold itself out to provide common carrier service.²

¹ This transaction is related to STB Finance Docket No. 34741, *KWT Railway, Inc.—Lease and Operate—Murray-Calloway Economic Development Corporation*, wherein KWT Railway, Inc. (KWT), has filed a notice of exemption to lease and operate the portion of rail line between milepost 38.34 and approximately milepost 37.34.

² EDC states that, “* * * [t]o the extent that the line is considered a “line of railroad” the EDC intends to embargo or discontinue service over the rest of the line.” Because EDC is acquiring the 8.34-mile line pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10901, the entire line is a line of railroad, and EDC is acquiring a common carrier obligation to either provide service over all of it or assure that service is provided by another carrier. Should EDC seek to terminate that

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EDC certifies that its projected 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 transaction was expected to be consummated on or after August 15, 2005, the effective date of the exemption (7 days after the exemption was filed).

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.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34742, 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 Mark Manning, P.O. Box 1911, Murray, KY 42071.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>.

Decided: August 31, 2005.

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

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), Treasury.

obligation in whole or in part in the future, it will need to file for authority to abandon or discontinue service. In connection with any such request, EDC should be aware of the Board's holding in *The Land Conservancy of Seattle and King County—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company*, STB Finance Docket No. 33389 (STB served Sept. 26, 1997).

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The OCC, 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 a continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Currently, the OCC is soliciting comment concerning a proposed new collection titled "Customer Complaint Form".

DATES: You should submit written comments by: November 7, 2005.

ADDRESSES: You should direct all written comments to the Communications Division, Attention: Customer Complaint Form, Third Floor, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 250 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20219. In addition, comments may be sent by facsimile transmission to (202) 874-4448, or by electronic mail to regs.comments@occ.treas.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You can request additional information or a copy of the collection from Mary Gottlieb or Camille Dixon, (202) 874-5090, Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division (1557-0202), Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 250 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20219. You can inspect and photocopy the comments at the OCC's Public Reference Room, 250 E Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on business days. You can make an appointment to inspect the comments by calling (202) 874-5043.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The OCC is requesting comment on the following proposed information collection:

Title: Customer Complaint Form.

OMB Number: None assigned—new collection.

Description: The customer complaint form was developed as a courtesy for those that contact the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency's Customer Assistance Group and wish to file a formal, written complaint. The form allows the consumer to focus its issues and provide a complete picture of their

concerns, but is entirely voluntary. It is designed to prevent having to go back to the consumer for additional information, which delays the process. Completion of the form allows the Customer Assistance Group to process the complaint more efficiently.

The Customer Assistance Group will use the information to create a record of the consumer's contact, including capturing information that can be used to resolve the consumer's issues and provide a database of information that is incorporated into the OCC's supervisory process.

Type of Review: New collection.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 2,149.

Total Annual Responses: 2,149.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 142.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Comments are invited on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and

(e) Estimates of capital or startup costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: August 30, 2005.

Stuart Feldstein,
Assistant Director, Legislative & Regulatory Activities Division.

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