

Dated: April 30, 2003.

Marc J. Susser,

Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee on Historical Diplomatic Documentation, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34299]

Gulf & Ohio Railways Holding Co., Inc., H. Peter Claussen and Linda C. Claussen—Continuance in Control Exemption—Chattahoochee & Gulf Railroad Co., Inc.

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of exemption.

SUMMARY: The Board grants an exemption, under 49 U.S.C. 10502, from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323-25 for Gulf & Ohio Railways Holding Co., Inc., a noncarrier, and H. Peter Claussen and Linda C. Claussen (collectively, Petitioners), to continue in control of Chattahoochee & Gulf Railroad Co., Inc. (CGR), upon CGR's becoming a rail carrier pursuant to a related transaction in STB Finance Docket No. 34298.¹

DATES: This exemption will be effective June 15, 2003. Petitions to stay must be filed by June 2, 2003. Petitions to reopen must be filed by June 10, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Send an original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34299, to: Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, send one copy of pleadings to Troy W. Garriss, Weiner Brodsky Sidman Kider PC, 1300 19th Street, NW., Fifth Floor, Washington, DC 20036-1609.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beryl Gordon, (202) 565-1600 (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. Copies of the decision may be purchased from Dã 2 Dã Legal Copy Service by calling (202) 293-7776 (assistance for the hearing impaired is available through FIRS at 1-800-877-8339) or by visiting Suite 405,

¹ *Chattahoochee & Gulf Railroad Co., Inc.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Line of Central of Georgia Railroad Company*, STB Finance Docket No. 34298 (STB served Mar. 26, 2003).

1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006.

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Decided: May 9, 2003.

By the Board, Chairman Nober and Commissioner Morgan.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34316 (Sub-No. 1)]

The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company—Trackage Rights Exemption—Union Pacific Railroad Company

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

ACTION: Petition for partial revocation.

SUMMARY: The Board, under 49 U.S.C. 10502, exempts the temporary trackage rights arrangement between The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) and Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) described in STB Finance Docket No. 34316,¹ to permit them to expire upon completion of the construction of BNSF's rail line between Kamey and Seadrift, TX.²

DATES: This exemption is effective on June 15, 2003. Petitions to stay must be filed by May 27, 2003. Petitions to reopen must be filed by June 5, 2003.

ADDRESSES: An original and 10 copies of all pleadings referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34316 (Sub-No. 1) must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of all pleadings must be served on petitioner's representative: Sarah W.

¹ The temporary trackage rights exempted in *The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company—Trackage Rights Exemption—Union Pacific Railroad Company*, STB Finance Docket No. 34316 (STB served Mar. 12, 2003) are over UP's Port Lavaca Subdivision from milepost 15.4 to milepost 14.2 and from milepost 6.95 to milepost 6.0. These segments are on either side of a 7.25-mile portion of UP's Port Lavaca Subdivision over which BNSF was granted an exemption for overhead trackage rights in the same notice. This petition does not involve those overhead trackage rights.

² BNSF was granted authority to construct and operate a railroad line in *The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company—Construction and Operation Exemption—Seadrift and Kamey, TX*, STB Finance Docket No. 34003 (STB served Jan. 25, 2002). BNSF estimates that the construction will be completed before the end of June 2003.

Bailiff, Senior General Attorney, The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company, P.O. Box 961039, Fort Worth, TX 76161-0039.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Beryl Gordon, (202) 565-1600.

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By the Board, Chairman Nober and Commissioner Morgan.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34340]

Vermilion Valley Railroad Company, Inc.—Operation Exemption—FNG Logistics Co.

Vermilion Valley Railroad Company, Inc. (VVR), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to operate approximately 5.91 miles of railroad owned by FNG Logistics Co. (FNG) between milepost QSO-5.18 near the Illinois/Indiana State line and milepost QSO-11.09 near Olin, in Vermillion and Warren Counties, IN.¹ FNG certifies that its projected revenues as a result of this transaction will not exceed those that would qualify it as a Class III rail carrier.

The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on or about April 30, 2003, the effective date of the exemption (7 days after the exemption was filed).

¹ The subject line was acquired by Flex-N-Gate Corporation (Flex) under the Board's offer of financial assistance procedures at 49 U.S.C. 10904 and 49 CFR 1152.27 in *New York Central Lines, LLC—Abandonment Exemption—in Vermillion and Warren Counties, IN*, STB Docket No. AB-565 (Sub-No. 4X) (STB served Sept. 17, 2002). In a motion filed on April 22, 2003, Flex and FNG, a wholly owned subsidiary of Flex, requested permission to substitute FNG for Flex as the purchaser of the line. That request was granted by decision served on April 28, 2003.