

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Surface Transportation Board**

[STB Docket No. AB-812X]

**Stockton Terminal and Eastern Railroad—Abandonment Exemption—in San Joaquin County, CA**

Stockton Terminal and Eastern Railroad (STE) has filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments* to abandon approximately 3,600 feet of rail line extending from the west edge of North Duncan Road to the end of the line near North Wall Road, in Linden, San Joaquin County, CA. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Code 95236.

STE has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) any overhead traffic can be rerouted over other lines; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the line (or by a state or local government entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the line either is pending with the Board or with any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of complainant within the 2-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.7 (environmental reports), 49 CFR 1105.8 (historic reports), 49 CFR 1105.11 (transmittal letter), 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication), and 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice to governmental agencies) have been met.

As a condition to this exemption, any employee adversely affected by the abandonment shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line R. Co.—Abandonment—Goshen*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979). To address whether this condition adequately protects affected employees, a petition for partial revocation under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) must be filed. Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) has been received, this exemption will be effective on November 17, 2004, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues,<sup>1</sup> formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2),<sup>2</sup> and trail

<sup>1</sup> The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption's effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Service Rail Lines*, 5 I.C.C.2d 377 (1989). Any request for a stay should be filed as soon as possible so that the Board may take appropriate action before the exemption's effective date.

<sup>2</sup> Effective October 31, 2004, the filing fee for an OFA will increase to \$1,200. See *Regulations*

use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by October 28, 2004. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by November 8, 2004, with the Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001.

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to STE's representative: Thomas F. McFarland, 208 South LaSalle St., Suite 1890, Chicago, IL 60604-1112.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*.

STE has filed an environmental report which addresses the effects, if any, of the abandonment on the environment and historic resources. SEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by October 22, 2004. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA by writing to SEA (Room 500, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423-0001) or by calling SEA, at (202) 565-1539. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.] Comments on environmental and historic preservation matters must be filed within 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public.

Environmental, historic preservation, public use, or trail use/rail banking conditions will be imposed, where appropriate, in a subsequent decision.

Pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), STE shall file a notice of consummation with the Board to signify that it has exercised the authority granted and fully abandoned the line. If consummation has not been effected by STE's filing of a notice of consummation by October 18, 2005, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

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

Decided: October 8, 2004.

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

**Vernon A. Williams,**  
*Secretary.*

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*Governing Fees for Services Performed in Connection with Licensing and Related Services—2004 Update*, STB Ex Parte No. 542 (Sub-No. 11) (STB served Oct. 1, 2004).

**DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY****Office of the Secretary****Notice of Call for Redemption: 11¾ Percent Treasury Bonds of 2005-10; Washington, DC**

October 15, 2004.

1. Public notice is hereby given that all outstanding 11¾ percent Treasury Bonds of 2005-10 (CUSIP No. 912810 CM 8) dated February 15, 1980, due February 15, 2010, are hereby called for redemption at par on February 15, 2005, on which date interest on such bonds will cease.

2. Full information regarding the presentation and surrender of such bonds held in coupon and registered form for redemption under this call will be found in Department of the Treasury Circular No. 300 dated March 4, 1973, as amended (31 CFR part 306), and from the Definitives Section of the Bureau of the Public Debt (telephone (304) 480-7936), and on the Bureau of the Public Debt's Web site, <http://www.publicdebt.treas.gov>.

3. Redemption payments for such bonds held in book-entry form, whether on the books of the Federal Reserve Banks or in *Treasury-Direct* accounts, will be made automatically on February 15, 2005.

**Donald V. Hammond,**

*Fiscal Assistant Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY****Internal Revenue Service****Proposed Collection; Comment Request for the Statistics of Income (SOI) Corporate Survey**

**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 the Statistics of Income (SOI) Corporate Survey.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before December 17, 2004 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Paul H. Finger, Internal Revenue Service, room 6512, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the survey should be directed to Carol Savage at Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622-3945, or through the Internet at [CAROL.A.SAVAGE@irs.gov](mailto:CAROL.A.SAVAGE@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Statistics of Income (SOI) Corporate Survey.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1351.

*Abstract:* The SOI Corporate Survey is a yearly self-administered mail survey sent to a small select group of the very largest U.S. corporations. The survey is voluntary and requests specific line item tax return data. The survey data are used to supplement the SOI corporate files in order to produce corporate advance tax data estimates. Advance tax data has been requested by the Bureau of Economic Analysis in the Department of the Commerce, the Office of Tax Analysis in the Department of the Treasury, and the Joint Committee on Taxation in the U.S. Congress for tax analysis purposes.

*Current Actions:* There are no changes being made to the survey at this time.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 175.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 30 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 88.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

*Request for Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or 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 of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: October 12, 2004.

**Paul H. Finger,**

*IRS Reports Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Special Medical Advisory Group; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the Special Medical Advisory Group will meet on November 12, 2004. The meeting will be held in Room 830, at VA Central Office, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Group is to advise the Secretary and Under Secretary for Health on the care and treatment of disabled veterans, and other matters pertinent to the Veterans Health Administration (VHA). The agenda for the meeting will include discussions on electronic health records, research, recruitment and compensation of health care professionals, special programs, care coordination and VA's Care Model.

Any member of the public wishing to attend should contact Juanita Leslie, Office of Administrative Operations (10B2), Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs at (202) 273-5882. No time will be set aside at this meeting for receiving oral presentations from the public. Statements, in written form, may be submitted to Juanita Leslie before the meeting or within 10 days after the meeting.

Dated: October 12, 2004.

By Direction of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs

**E. Philip Riggin,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Veterans' Advisory Committee on Rehabilitation (VACOR); Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that a meeting of the Veterans' Advisory Committee on Rehabilitation (VACOR) will be held on November 8-10, 2004, at the Department of Veterans Affairs Washington Regional Office, 1722 I Street NW., Washington, DC, 20421. The meeting sessions will be held in the third floor training room and will begin at 1 p.m. on November 8 and 8:30 a.m. on November 9 and 10. The meeting sessions will end at 4:30 p.m. on November 8 and 9 and at noon on November 10. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide recommendations to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on the rehabilitation needs of veterans with disabilities and on the administration of VA's rehabilitation programs.

During the meeting, committee members will be briefed on various VA rehabilitation related initiatives. They will also receive updates on the Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Task Force report and recommendations, the Spinal Cord Injury Research Project and Research Model, and other disability and rehabilitation issues related to veterans. Additionally, the Committee will receive a briefing from the Advisory Committee on Prosthetics and Special Disabilities. The Committee will also discuss recommendations for the 2004 report.

No time will be allocated at this meeting for oral presentations from the public. Any member of the public wishing to attend the meeting is requested to contact Ms. Carolyn Davis, Designated Federal Officer, at (202) 273-7433. The Committee will accept written comments. Comments can be addressed to Ms. Davis at the Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Benefits Administration (28), 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, or sent electronically to [VRECDAVI@VBA.VA.GOV](mailto:VRECDAVI@VBA.VA.GOV). In