

**Minerals Management Service****Royalty Management Advisory Committee Meeting**

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Minerals Management Service (MMS) hereby gives notice that the Royalty Management Advisory Committee will hold a meeting in Lakewood, Colorado, at the location and on the dates indicated below to review a report of the Systems Improvement Working Panel. The Advisory Committee will make recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior, as appropriate.

**Location and Dates:** The "Systems Improvement" meeting of the Royalty Management Advisory Committee will be held at the Sheraton Hotel, 360 Union Boulevard, Lakewood, Colorado, on September 21, 22, and 23, 1987, from 3:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day, except that the meeting on September 23 will adjourn at noon.

In addition, evening sessions may be held on September 21 and 22 if considered necessary. These meetings will be open to the public. Public attendance may be limited by the space available. Questions and answers from the public will be addressed at a designated time during each meeting. Written statements should be submitted by September 15, 1987, to the address listed below. Minutes of this meeting will be available for public inspection and copying by November 30, 1987, at the same address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Vernon B. Ingraham, Minerals Management Service, Royalty Management Program, Office of External Affairs, Denver Federal Center, Building 85, P.O. Box 25165, Mail Stop 851, Denver, Colorado 80225, telephone number (303) 231-3360, (FTS) 326-3360.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Systems Improvement Working Panel was established by the Royalty Management Advisory Committee. The panel is composed of both Advisory Committee members and non-Committee members and was established to provide the Advisory Committee with analysis of specific issues and proposed recommendations. Panel recommendations will be reviewed by the Advisory Committee which will then decide what advice and recommendations to give to the Department of the Interior and MMS.

Date: August 18, 1987.

David W. Crow,  
Acting Director, Minerals Management Service.

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**INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION**

[No. MC-F-17934]

**Intention To File Application for Acquisition of Control of Motor Carrier; Norfolk Southern Corporation and North American Van Lines, Inc.<sup>1</sup>**

On July 31, 1987, pursuant to 49 CFR 1180.4(b), Norfolk Southern Corporation (NS) and North American Van Lines, Inc. (NAVL) have notified the Commission of their intent to file an application seeking Commission approval for NAVL's acquisition of control of motor carrier Tran-Star, Inc. (Tran-Star) through stock ownership.

NS is a noncarrier holding company that owns all of the stock of motor carrier NAVL as well as Norfolk and Western Railway Company and Southern Railway Company, each of which is a class I railroad. NAVL's principal business is the domestic transportation of household goods and general commodities. Tran-Star specializes in the temperature controlled transportation of processed foods, dairy products and frozen vegetables. Its operations are focussed in the upper Midwest.

Under the terms of an agreement dated August 18, 1983, NAVL contracted to purchase 80.1 percent of the stock of Tran-Star. Applicants filed a petition for exemption of the proposed acquisition on October 31, 1986. On December 23, 1986, Tran-Star's stock was acquired and placed in an independent voting trust pending disposition of the exemption. Notice of the proposed exemption was published in the *ICC Register* and the *Federal Register* on February 17, 1987, in accordance with the procedural guidelines established in *Procedures—Handling Exemptions Filed by Motor Carriers*, 367 I.C.C. 113 (1982). A number of persons filed comments.

In their notice of intent, applicants now request that the proceeding instead be processed as an application under its present docket number and that the evidentiary record in the exemption

<sup>1</sup> Resentitled from *Norfolk Southern Corporation and North American Van Lines, Inc.—Control Exemption—Tran-Star, Inc.*

proceeding be made part of the application. By decision served August 26, 1987, the Commission granted these requests and denied motions filed by the Regular Common Carrier Conference, a party in the exemption proceeding, for oral hearing and discovery.

The Commission's regulations at 49 CFR Part 1180, Subpart A do not specifically apply to intermodal transactions involving the acquisition of motor carriers by railroads or rail affiliates. Nevertheless, the Commission has previously found these regulations, subject to appropriate notification, to be a suitable procedural means of processing such transactions. See Finance Docket No. 31000, *Union Pacific Corporation and BTMC Corporation—Control—Overnite Transportation Company* (Notice of Intent published at 51 FR 37666, October 23, 1986).

Pursuant to 49 CFR 1180.4(b)(1), applicants state that they intend to file an application on or about September 1, 1987. We find, under 49 CFR 1180.4(b)(2), that the proposed acquisition is a minor transaction that does not involve a matter of regional or national transportation importance. Accordingly, applicants need not furnish market impact analyses required under 49 CFR 1180.7 for major or significant transactions. We find that the transaction should be processed under the procedural requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11345(d) and be considered under the substantive decisional standards of 49 U.S.C. 11344 (c) and (d). Applicants must comply with the informational requirements of 49 CFR Part 1180, Subpart A relating to minor transactions, subject to such modifications as may be ordered by the Commission in response to appropriate requests or on our own motion. An order calling for submission of additional information on specific issues may be issued subsequent to the publication of this notice and accompanying decision.

Dated: August 18, 1987.

By the Commission, Chairman Gradison,  
Vice Chairman Lamboley, Commissioners  
Sterrett, Andre, and Simmons.

Noreta R. McGee,  
Secretary.

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**Acquisition and Operation of Rail Lines; The Indiana and Ohio Central Railroad, Inc.; Correction**

The notice of exemption published at