EMPLOYER STATUS DETERMINATION Eastern Idaho Railroad

This is the determination of the Railroad Retirement Board concerning the status of Eastern Idaho Railroad (EIR) as an employer under the Railroad Retirement Act (45 U.S.C. §231 et seq.) (RRA) and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (45 U.S.C. §351 et seq.) (RUIA).

In Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) Finance Docket No. 32396, served November 26, 1993, EIR filed a notice of exemption to acquire and operate ten rail lines of the Union Pacific Railroad Company (BA No.1715) (UP) for a distance of 266.40 miles in the State of Idaho and to acquire incidental trackage rights over two rail lines of UP's in the State of Idaho for a distance of 70.25 miles.

Information about EIR was furnished by Ms. Patricia Harris, Administrative Assistant. Ms. Harris indicated that EIR began operations and first compensated employees on November 21, 1993. EIR interchanges with UP.

Based upon the information summarized above, it is determined that Eastern Idaho Railroad became a rail carrier employer under the RRA and the RUIA effective November 21, 1993.

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