

EMPLOYER STATUS DETERMINATION
Stillwater Central Railroad, Inc.

This is the determination of the Railroad Retirement Board concerning the status of Stillwater Central Railroad, Inc. (SCR), as an employer under the Railroad Retirement Act (45 U.S.C. § 231 et seq.) and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (45 U.S.C. §351 et seq.).

SCR began doing business June 25, 1998. Richard B. Webb is the chief executive officer of SCR. In Surface Transportation Board Finance Docket No. 33621, SCR filed a notice of exemption to lease from the State of Oklahoma and operate approximately 124.78 miles of rail line. It interchanges with The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company.

The evidence of record establishes that SCR is a carrier operating in interstate commerce. Accordingly, it is determined that SCR is an employer within the meaning of section 1(a)(1)(i) of the Railroad Retirement Act (45 U.S.C. § 231(a)(1)(i)) and the corresponding provision of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act as of June 25, 1998, the date as of which it commenced operations.

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