EMPLOYER STATUS DETERMINATION East Mahanoy and Hazleton Railroad

This is the determination of the Railroad Retirement Board concerning the continued status of East Mahanoy and Hazleton Railroad (BA number 5220) 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.).

The East Mahanoy was held to be an employer under the Acts effective July 21, 1992. On December 31, 1996, it was merged into the Reading Blue Mountain and Northern Railroad Company, which was held to be an employer under the Acts effective December 15, 1990 (B.A. Number 3377). At the time of the merger East Mahanoy reportedly had no employees.

Accordingly, the Board holds that East Mahanoy ceased to be an employer under the Railroad Retirement and Railroad Unemployment Insurance Acts effective with the close of business on December 31, 1996.

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