

EMPLOYER STATUS DETERMINATION
Pioneer & Fayette Railroad Company

This is the determination of the Railroad Retirement Board concerning the status of Pioneer & Fayette Railroad Company (Pioneer) (BA No.5303) 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). Pioneer has been an employer, with service creditable since September 16, 1933.

In a handwritten note on the bottom of a Delinquent Notice dated March 4, 1993, Mr. Richard Repp, Pioneer's President, stated that Pioneer has been out of business since December 31, 1991. In an HSL message dated September 14, 1993, a contact representative from the Board's Toledo, Ohio office stated that she had visited Fayette, Ohio, where she had contacted Mrs. Repp and had verified that Pioneer was no longer in business. Mrs. Repp indicated that Pioneer had sold all of its equipment, except its engine, which was still for sale, and had issued its last payroll checks in December 1991. Pioneer's one-half mile of track is abandoned. The contact representative stated that there is a gas station at Pioneer's former address.

Based upon the information summarized above, it is determined that Pioneer & Fayette Railroad Company ceased to be an employer under the RRA and the RUIA effective December 31, 1991.

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