

EMPLOYER STATUS DETERMINATION
Davenport, Rock Island & North Western Railway Company (DRI)

This is the determination of the Railroad Retirement Board regarding the status of Davenport, Rock Island & North Western Railway Company (DRI) as an employer under the Railroad Retirement Act (45 U.S.C. §231 et seq.)(RRA) and Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (45 U.S.C. §351 et seq.)(RUIA).

According to Articles of Merger filed with and Certificates of Merger issued by the Minnesota and Iowa Secretaries of State, the Soo Line Railroad Company merged with DRI effective June 29, 1995, with Soo Line the designated surviving entity of the merger. As the non-surviving entity of the merger, DRI ceased to exist on June 29, 1995. Authority for the Soo Line-DRI merger is contained in Interstate Commerce Commission Finance Docket No. 32579. Former DRI employees transferred either to the Burlington Northern Railroad or Soo Line, with the exception of 6 DRI employees who signed severance agreements.

Information in the record establishes that DRI is no longer in business and that it was last in business in June, 1995. Accordingly, the Board finds that effective with the close of business on June 29, 1995, DRI ceased to be an employer under the RRA and the RUIA.

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