advance electronically or by fax upon request.

Contact Information: Any requiring information regarding the Panel should contact the TWWIIA Panel staff. Records are being kept of all Panel proceedings and will be available for public inspection by appointment at the Panel office. Anyone requiring information regarding the Panel should contact the Panel staff by:

- Mail addressed to Social Security Administration, Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Advisory Panel Staff, 400 Virginia Avenue, SW., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20024.
- Telephone contact with Kristen Breland at (202) 358–6423.
  - Fax at (202) 358-6440.
  - E-mail to TWWIIAPanel@ssa.gov.

Dated: January 25, 2002.

#### Deborah M. Morrison,

Designation Federal Officer.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

#### Research and Special Programs Administration

[Docket No. RSPA-01-10867; Notice 2]

# Pipeline Safety: Petition for Waiver; Williams Gas Pipelines-West

Williams Gas Pipelines-West (or "Williams") petitioned the Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA) for a waiver from compliance with the regulation at 49 CFR 192.611(d) until June 30, 2003. This regulation requires pipeline operators to confirm or revise the maximum allowable operating pressure of certain gas transmission lines within 18 months after population growth changes the classification of the line.

The petition concerns a 1500-foot pipeline segment constructed in 1991 in Utah County, Utah, that changed from Class 2 to Class 3 due to development of a subdivision. The segment is part of the Kern River natural gas transmission line, which runs from Wyoming to the San Joaquin Valley near Bakersfield, California, where the gas is used in the generation of electricity.

The petition indicates the change in classification comes while Williams is undertaking an expansion project on its Kern River line, which it plans to complete in 2003, pending approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Rather than replace the 1500-foot segment with new pipe to satisfy § 192.611(d), the petition indicates Williams prefers to relocate

the segment to a less populated right-ofway as part of the expansion project. The relocation alternative would result in a single impact to land owners and the environment during the construction.

In response to Williams' petition, we published a notice explaining why granting a waiver from 49 CFR 192.611(d) until June 30, 2003, to allow Williams time to carry out its relocation plan, would not be inconsistent with pipeline safety (Notice 1; 66 FR 59045; Nov. 26, 2001). In that notice, we invited interested persons to submit written comments on the proposed waiver by December 26, 2001. However, we did not receive any comments on the proposed waiver.

In accordance with the foregoing, RSPA, by this order, finds that compliance with § 192.611(d) is unnecessary for the reasons stated in Notice 1 of this proceeding, and that granting Williams' requested waiver would not be inconsistent with pipeline safety. Accordingly, Williams' petition for waiver from compliance with § 192.611(d) is granted until June 30, 2003. As stated in Notice 1, if there is an unforeseen delay in the relocation project, we may extend the June 30, 2003, deadline up to an additional 6 months without further opportunity to comment by publishing a notice of such extension in the Federal Register.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 60118(c); and 49 CFR 1.53.

Issued in Washington, DC on January 24, 2002.

### Stacey L. Gerard,

Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety. [FR Doc. 02–2211 Filed 1–29–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–60–P

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

# Surface Transportation Board [STB Finance Docket No. 34130]

RailAmerica, Inc.—Control Exemption—Kiamichi Holdings, Inc. and KiamichiRailroad L.L.C.<sup>1</sup>

**AGENCY:** Surface Transportation Board. **ACTION:** Notice of exemption.

**SUMMARY:** Under 49 U.S.C. 10502, the Board exempts from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323, *et seq.*, the acquisition by RailAmerica, Inc.

(RailAmerica or petitioner) of control of Kiamichi Holdings, Inc., and its subsidiary Class III rail carrier Kiamichi Railroad L.L.C. RailAmerica is a noncarrier holding company that controls two Class II and 23 Class III rail carriers. Petitioner has agreed to acquire the railroad subsidiaries of Kauri, Inc., pursuant to two notices of exemption and this petition for exemption.<sup>2</sup> RailAmerica requests expedited action on the exemption petition. The request is addressed in the Board's decision.

**DATES:** The exemption will be effective on date of publication. Petitions for reconsideration must be filed by February 14, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Send an original and 10 copies of any pleadings referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34130 to: Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20423—0001. In addition, send one copy of any pleadings to petitioner's representatives: Gary A. Laakso, Esq., 5300 Broken Sound Blvd., NW, Second Floor, Boca Raton, FL 33487, and Louis E. Gitomer, Esq., 1455 F Street, NW, Suite 225, Washington, DC 20005.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joseph H. Dettmar (202) 565–1600. [TDD for the hearing impaired: 1–800–877–8339.]

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Additional information is contained in the Board's decision. To purchase a copy of the full decision, write to, call, or pick up in person from: Dā 2 Dā Legal, 1925 K Street NW, Suite 405, Washington, DC 20006. Telephone: (202) 293–7776.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at www.stb.dot.gov.

Decided: January 23, 2002.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> On December 5, 2001, a protective order was issued in this proceeding. The title reflected the expected participation of West Texas and Lubbock Railroad Company, Inc. (West Texas). Because West Texas will not, in fact, be a party to the transaction, the above title has been revised to reflect that fact.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> On December 7, 2001, RailAmerica filed a notice of exemption to acquire control of the Alabama & Gulf Coast Railway L.L.C. See RailAmerica, Inc.-Control Exemption-New StatesRail Holdings, Inc. and Alabama & Gulf Coast Railway L.L.C., STB Finance Docket No. 34128 (STB served Dec. 28, 2001). Also on December 7, RailAmerica filed a notice of exemption to acquire control of Arizona Eastern Railway Company, Eastern Alabama Railway, Kyle Railroad Company, San Joaquin Valley Railroad Company, and SWKR Operating Co. See RailAmerica, Inc.-Control Exemption-StatesRail Acquisition Corp. and StatesRail, Inc., STB Finance Docket No. 34129 (STB served Dec. 28, 2001) Regarding another short line railroad company, RailAmerica filed a notice of exemption on November 28, 2001, to acquire control of ParkSierra Corp. See RailAmerica, Inc.-Control Exemption-ParkSierra Acquisition Corp. and ParkSierra Corp., STB Finance Docket No. 34100 (STB served Dec. 20, 2001).