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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. FD 35414]

Gulf & Ohio Railways Holding Co., Inc., H. Peter Claussen and Linda C. Claussen—Continuance in Control Exemption—Lancaster & Chester Railroad, LLC

Gulf & Ohio Railways Holding Co., Inc. (G&O), H. Peter Claussen and Linda C. Claussen (the Claussens), noncarriers, have filed a verified notice of exemption to continue in control of Lancaster & Chester Railroad, LLC (L&C Railroad) upon L&C Railroad's becoming a Class III rail carrier.

This transaction is related to a concurrently filed verified notice of exemption in Docket No. FD 35413, *Lancaster & Chester Railroad, LLC—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Line of Lancaster & Chester Railway Company*. In that proceeding, L&C Railroad seeks an exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to acquire and operate approximately 62 miles of rail line owned by Lancaster & Chester Railway Company between (1) Chester and Lancaster, S.C., and (2) Kershaw and Catawba, S.C.

The transaction may be consummated on or after October 31, 2010 (the effective date of the exemption).

The Claussens own a controlling share of voting stock of G&O. G&O, in turn, wholly owns the following Class III rail carriers: (a) Conecuh Valley Railroad Co., Inc., which operates in Alabama; (b) Knoxville & Holston River Railroad Co., Inc., which operates in east Tennessee; (c) Laurinburg & Southern Railroad Co., Inc., which operates in North Carolina; (d) Piedmont & Atlantic Railroad, Inc., which operates in northwestern North Carolina under the trade name of Yadkin Valley Railroad; (e) Rocky Mount & Western Railroad Co., Inc., which operates in central North Carolina under the trade name of Nash County Railroad; (f) Three Notch Railroad Co., Inc., which operates in Alabama; and (g) Wiregrass Central Railroad Company, Inc., which operates in southeast Alabama.

The parties represent that: (1) The rail lines to be acquired by L&C Railroad do not connect with any other railroad in

the corporate family; (2) the transaction is not part of a series of anticipated transactions that would connect the rail lines with any other railroad in the corporate family; and (3) the transaction does not involve a Class I rail carrier. Therefore, the transaction is exempt from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323. *See* 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2).

Under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), the Board may not use its exemption authority to relieve a rail carrier of its statutory obligation to protect the interests of its employees. Section 11326(c), however, does not provide for labor protection for transactions under sections 11324 and 11325 that involve only Class III rail carriers. Accordingly, the Board may not impose labor protective conditions here, because all of the carriers involved are Class III carriers.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the effectiveness of the exemption. Stay petitions must be filed no later than October 22, 2010 (at least 7 days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 35414, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, one copy of each pleading must be served on Troy W. Garris, 2904 Corporate Cir., Flower Mound, Tex. 75028.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Cameron County, TX

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Rescind Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an EIS.

SUMMARY: FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that the NOI to prepare an environmental impact

statement (EIS) for proposed improvements to United States Highway 181/State Highway 286 (Crosstown Expressway), in Nueces County, Texas, is being rescinded.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gregory S. Punske, P.E. District Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, Texas Division, 300 East 8th Street, Room 826, Austin, Texas 78701, Telephone (512) 536-5960.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On April 6, 2007, TxDOT and FHWA announced their revised Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS pursuant to 40 CFR 1508.22 and 43 TAC Sec. 2.5(e)(2) for a proposal to replace the existing US 181 Harbor Bridge and construct improvements to SH 286, in Nueces County, Texas. The project limits were defined as the limits of the schematic design. The project limits were as follows: the northern limit was the US 181 and Beach Avenue interchange located north of the Corpus Christi Ship Channel but south of the Nueces Bay Causeway; the southern limit was the SH 286 and SH 358 (South Padre Island Drive) interchange; the eastern limit was the Interstate Highway (IH) 37/US 181 intersection with Shoreline Boulevard; and the western limit was the IH 37 and Nueces Bay Boulevard interchange. The project limits totaled approximately 7.5 miles in length from north to south along US 181 and SH 286, and 2.1 miles in length from east to west along IH 37. The study limits were defined as the limits of potential impacts from the proposed action. The study limits were as follows: the northern limit was the US 181 and SH 35 interchange just south of Gregory; the southern limit was the SH 286 and SH 358 (South Padre Island Drive) interchange; the eastern limit was Shoreline Boulevard; and the western limit was the IH 37 and SH 358 (North Padre Island Drive) interchange. The EIS was in the preliminary stages of development. Scoping meetings were held for representatives from various cooperating agencies and for the public. The scoping meeting for the representatives from various cooperating agencies was held May 17, 2007, at the TxDOT Corpus Christi District Office in Corpus Christi, Texas. The scoping meeting for the public was held May 17, 2007, at the Oveal Williams Senior Activity Center in Corpus Christi, Texas.

FHWA and TxDOT have decided to rescind the revised Notice of Intent because of changes in the scope (managed toll lanes) and limits. We intend to publish a new NOI in the future, which will describe the new project scope and limits. The review of

the project under the new NOI will also comply with the requirements of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) Section 6002 environmental review process. All 6002 procedures for the proposed project will be followed in the future as the project proceeds with a new scope and limits. Comments or questions concerning the rescission of this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research, Planning, and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

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Gregory S. Punske,

District Engineer, Austin, Texas.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

International Standards on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; Public Meeting

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice is to advise interested persons that PHMSA will conduct a public meeting in preparation for the 38th session of the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (UNSCOE TDG) to be held November 29–December 7, 2010, in Geneva, Switzerland. During this meeting, PHMSA is also soliciting comments relative to potential new work items which may be considered for inclusion in its international agenda.

Information Regarding the UNSCOE TDG Meeting

DATES: Wednesday, November 17, 2010; 1 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the DOT Headquarters, West Building, Conference Rooms 8, 9 and 10, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590.

Notification: Any person wishing to participate in the public meeting should send an e-mail to michael.stevens@dot.gov and include

their name and contact information (Organization/Address/Telephone Number) no later than November 10, 2010. Providing this information will facilitate the security screening process for entry into the building on the day of the meeting.

Conference Call Capability/Live Meeting Information: Conference call-in and “live meeting” capability will be provided for this meeting. Specific information on call-in and live meeting access will be posted when available at <http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/regs/international>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Duane Pfund, Acting Director, Office of Hazardous Materials Technology or Mr. Shane Kelley, International Transportation Specialist, Office of Hazardous Materials Safety, Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590; (202) 366-0656.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The primary purpose of this meeting will be to prepare for the 38th session of the UNSCOE TDG. The 38th session of the UNSCOE TDG is the last of four meetings scheduled for the current 2009–2010 biennium. The UNSCOE will consider proposals for the 17th Revised Edition of the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods Model Regulations which will come into force in the international regulations from January 1, 2013. Topics on the agenda for the UNSCOE TDG meeting include:

- Recommendations made by the Sub-Committee at previous sessions.
- Explosives and related matters.
- Listing, classification and packing.
- Electric storage systems.
- Electronic data interchange (EDI) for documentation purposes.
- Cooperation with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).
- Global harmonization of transport of dangerous goods regulations.
- Guiding principles for the Model Regulations.
- Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS).
- Program of work for the biennium 2011–2012.

In addition, PHMSA is soliciting comments on how to further enhance harmonization for international transport of hazardous materials. PHMSA has finalized a broad international strategic plan and welcomes input on items which stakeholders believe should be included as specific initiatives within this plan. PHMSA's Office of International Standards Strategic Plan can be accessed at: <http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/regs/international>.

The public is invited to attend without prior notification. Due to the heightened security measures participants are encouraged to arrive early to allow time for security checks necessary to obtain access to the building. Following the 38th session of the UNSCOE TDG, PHMSA will place a copy of the Sub-Committee's report and a summary of the results on PHMSA's Hazardous Materials Safety Homepage at <http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/regs/international>.

Documents

Copies of documents for the UNSCOE TDG meeting and the meeting agenda may be obtained by downloading them from the United Nations Transport Division's Web site at: <http://www.uncece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgsubc/c32010.html>. PHMSA's site at <http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/regs/international> also provides additional information regarding the UNSCOE TDG and related matters such as summaries of decisions taken at previous sessions of the UNSCOE TDG.

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Magdy El-Sibaie,

Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Seventh Meeting—Special Committee 222: Inmarsat Aeronautical Mobile Satellite (Route) Services

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of RTCA Special Committee 222: Inmarsat Aeronautical Mobile Satellite (Route) Services meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of RTCA Special Committee 222: Inmarsat Aeronautical Mobile Satellite (Route) Services.

DATES: The meeting will be held November 3–5, 2010, Wednesday, November 3, 2010 from 1:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m., Thursday, November 4, 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m., and Friday, November 5, 9–11:30 a.m.. Note that this meeting will conclude on Thursday if all the business has been concluded.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at RTCA Headquarters, 1828 L. Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC, 20036.
Dress: Business Casual.