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As a condition to this exemption, any employee adversely affected by the abandonment shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line—Abandonment Portion Goshen Branch Between Firth & Ammon, in Bingham & Bonneville Counties, Idaho*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979). To address whether this condition adequately protects affected employees, a petition for partial revocation under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) must be filed.

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A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to UP's representative: Mack H. Shumate, Jr., Senior General Attorney, Union Pacific Railroad Company, 101 N. Wacker Drive, #1920, Chicago, IL 60606–1718.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*.

UP has filed a combined environmental and historic report which addresses the effects, if any, of the abandonment on the environment and historic resources. OEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by October 26, 2010. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA by writing to OEA (Room 1100, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423–0001) or by calling OEA, at (202) 245–0305. [Assistance for the hearing

impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339.] Comments on environmental and historic preservation matters must be filed within 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public.

Environmental, historic preservation, public use, or trail use/rail banking conditions will be imposed, where appropriate, in a subsequent decision.

Pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), UP shall file a notice of consummation with the Board to signify that it has exercised the authority granted and fully abandoned the line. If consummation has not been effected by UP's filing of a notice of consummation by October 21, 2011, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

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Decided: October 18, 2010.

By the Board.

Rachel D. Campbell,

Director, Office of Proceedings.

Andrea Pope-Matheson,

Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB 55 (Sub-No. 703X)]

CSX Transportation, Inc.— Abandonment Exemption—in Chesterfield and Darlington Counties, SC

On October 1, 2010, CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT), filed with the Surface Transportation Board a petition under 49 U.S.C. 10502 for exemption from the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 10903 to abandon a 2.71-mile line of railroad on its Southern Region, Florence Division, Hamlet Subdivision, between milepost SJ 304.75, at Tabernacle Road, and milepost SJ 307.46, at Bobo Newsome Highway, in Chesterfield and Darlington Counties, S.C. (the line). The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 29101 and 29550 and includes stations at Darlco, FSAC 71202366, OPSP 2638, milepost SJ 306, and Robinson, FSAC 71202370, OPSP 2640, milepost SJ 307.

In addition to an exemption from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 10903, CSXT seeks an exemption from 49 U.S.C. 10904 (offer of financial assistance procedures). In support,

CSXT states that, following abandonment of the line, CSXT intends to reclassify the line as spur track and sell or lease it to Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc. (PEC), the sole shipper on the line, which will then use the line for expanded intra-plant operations. This request will be addressed in the final decision. In order to facilitate the reclassification of the line as spur track and the subsequent sale or lease of the line to PEC, CSXT has requested that the Board condition the abandonment upon CSXT and PEC entering an agreement providing for the sale or lease of the line from CSXT to PEC within 30 days after CSXT has consummated the abandonment and reclassified the line as spur track. This request will also be addressed in the final decision.

The line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in CSXT's possession concerning this matter will be made available promptly to those requesting it.

The interest of railroad employees will be protected by the conditions set forth in *Oregon Short Line Railroad—Abandonment Portion Goshen Branch Between Firth & Ammon, in Bingham & Bonneville Counties, Idaho*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979).

By issuing this notice, the Board is instituting an exemption proceeding pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10502(b). A final decision will be issued by January 19, 2011.

Any offer of financial assistance (OFA) under 49 CFR 1152.27(b)(2) will be due no later than 10 days after service of a decision granting the petition for exemption. Each OFA must be accompanied by a \$1,500 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

All interested persons should be aware that, following abandonment of rail service and salvage of the line, the line may be suitable for other public use, including interim trail use. Any request for a public use condition under 49 CFR 1152.28 or for trail use/rail banking under 49 CFR 1152.29 will be due no later than November 10, 2010. Each trail use request must be accompanied by a \$250 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(27).

All filings in response to this notice must refer to Docket No. AB 55 (Sub-No. 703X), and must be sent to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423–0001; and (2) Louis E. Gitomer, Law Offices of Louis E. Gitomer, 600 Baltimore Avenue, Suite 301, Towson, MD 21204. Replies to CSXT's petition are due on or before November 10, 2010.

Persons seeking further information concerning abandonment procedures

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may contact the Board's Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance at (202) 245-0238 or refer to the full abandonment or discontinuance regulations at 49 CFR part 1152. Questions concerning environmental issues may be directed to the Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) at (202) 245-0305. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

An environmental assessment (EA) (or environmental impact statement (EIS), if necessary) prepared by OEA will be served upon all parties of record and upon any agencies or other persons who commented during its preparation. Other interested persons may contact OEA to obtain a copy of the EA (or EIS). EAs in these abandonment proceedings normally will be made available within 60 days of the filing of the petition. The deadline for submission of comments on the EA will generally be within 30 days of its service.

This action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

Decided: October 18, 2010.

By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell,
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Andrea Pope-Matheson,
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. AB 33 (Sub-No. 290X)]

Union Pacific Railroad Company— Abandonment Exemption—in Pulaski County, AR

Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR part 1152 subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments* to abandon a line of railroad known as the North Little Rock Junction Bridge Line, extending from milepost 343.65 to the end of the line at milepost 343.97, a distance of .32 miles, in North Little Rock, in Pulaski County, Ark. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Code 72118.

UP has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) there is no overhead traffic to be rerouted; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the line (or by a state or local government entity acting on behalf of

such user) regarding cessation of service over the line either is pending with the Board or with any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of complainant within the 2-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.7(c) (environmental report), 49 CFR 1105.11 (transmittal letter), 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication), and 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice to governmental agencies) have been met.

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By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell,
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Jeffrey Herzig,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Research and Innovative Technology Administration

Agency Information Collection; Activity Under OMB Review; Omnibus Household Survey Program

AGENCY: Research & Innovative Technology Administration (RITA), Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of section 3506(c) (2) (A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) described below is being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval for an extension of a currently approved information collection related to the use of and satisfaction with the nation's transportation system. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on