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By the Board, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 129X)]

Union Pacific Railroad Company— Abandonment Exemption—in Dallas and Guthrie Counties, IA (Perry Branch and Yale Spur)

On October 30, 1998, Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) filed with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) a petition under 49 U.S.C. 10502 for exemption from the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 10903 to abandon 11.4 miles of continuous lines of railroad known as the Perry Branch and the Yale Spur, extending: (1) from milepost 369.0 near Dawson to the end of the line at milepost 374.2 near Herndon (the Perry Branch); and (2) from milepost 54.3 at Herndon to the end of the line at milepost 48.1 at Yale (the Yale Spur) (collectively, the Line), in Dallas and Guthrie Counties, IA. The Line traverses U. S. Postal Service Zip Codes 50066 (Dawson), 50128 (Jamaica and Herndon), and 50277 (Yale), and includes the rail stations of Herndon at mileposts 374.2 and 54.3 and Yale at milepost 49.0.

The Line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in UP's possession 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 R. Co.—Abandonment—Goshen*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979).

By issuance of this notice, the Board is instituting an exemption proceeding pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10502(b). A final decision will be issued by February 17, 1999.

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 offer must be accompanied by a \$1,000 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 December 9, 1998. Each trail use request must be accompanied by a \$150 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(27).

All filings in response to this notice must refer to STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 129X) and must be sent to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423-0001, and (2) Joseph D. Anthofer, Union Pacific Railroad Company, 1416 Dodge Street, Room 830, Omaha, NE 68179-0830. Replies to the UP petition are due on or before December 9, 1998.

Persons seeking further information concerning abandonment procedures may contact the Board's Office of Public Services at (202) 565-1592 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 Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) at (202) 565-1545. [TDD for the hearing impaired is available at (202) 565-1695.]

An environmental assessment (EA) (or environmental impact statement (EIS), if necessary) prepared by SEA 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 SEA 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.

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Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

November 13, 1998.

The Department of the Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before December 21, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

Financial Management Service (FMS)

OMB Number: 1510-0004.

Form Number: FMS 285-A.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Schedule of Excess Risks.

Description: Listing of Excess Risks written or assumed by Treasury certified companies showing compliance with Treasury Regulations to assist Treasury in determining solvency of certified companies for the benefit of writing Federal surety bonds.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 357.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 20 hours.

Frequency of Response: Quarterly, Annually (applications when filed by company).

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 7,140 hours.

OMB Number: 1510-0047.

Form Number: TFS 2211.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: List of Data.

Description: Information is collected from insurance companies to provide Treasury with a basis for determining acceptability of insurance companies applying for a Certificate of Authority to write or reinsure Federal surety bonds.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 25.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 18 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion (applications when filed by company).

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 450 hours.

OMB Number: 1510-0052.