

to submit responses in writing or electronically. The comments received in response to the notice will assist in determining areas and issues for indepth review.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

[USCG-1999-5179]

National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee (NOSAC) will meet to discuss various issues relating to offshore safety. The meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: NOSAC will meet on Thursday, April 8, 1999, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The meeting may close early if all business is finished. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before March 25, 1999. Requests to have a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee should reach the Coast Guard on or before March 25, 1999.

ADDRESSES: NOSAC will meet in rooms 6244-6248, of the NASSIF Building, 400 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to Captain R. L. Skewes, Commandant (G-MSO), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. This notice is available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions on this notice, contact Captain R. L. Skewes, Executive Director of NOSAC, or Mr. Jim Magill, Assistant to the Executive Director, telephone 202-267-0214, fax 202-267-4570. For questions on viewing the docket, contact Dorothy Walker, Chief, Dockets, Department of Transportation, 202-366-9329.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

Agenda of Meeting

National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee (NOSAC). The agenda includes the following:

(1) Introduction and swearing-in of new members.

(2) Progress report from the Prevention Through People Subcommittee.

(3) Progress report from the Subcommittee on Pipeline-Free Anchorages for Mobile Offshore Drilling Units, Liftboats and Vessels.

(4) Status report on revision of 33 CFR Subchapter "N", Outer Continental Shelf Regulations.

(5) Report on the new regulations for large offshore supply vessels and crewboats, (supplementary 46 CFR Subchapter "L").

(6) Report on issues concerning the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the International Organization of Standardization (ISO).

(7) Status report from Incident Reporting Subcommittee.

(8) Report from Platform/Ship Collision Avoidance Subcommittee.

(9) MODUs—U.S. Flag to Foreign Flag Movement.

Procedural

The meeting is open to the public. Please note that the meeting may close early if all business is finished. At the Chair's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meeting. If you would like to make an oral presentation at the meeting, please notify the Executive Director no later than March 25, 1999. Written material for distribution at the meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than March 25, 1999. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee or subcommittee in advance of the meeting, please submit 25 copies to the Executive Director no later than March 25, 1999.

Information on Services for Individuals with Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meetings, contact the Executive Director as soon as possible.

Dated: February 22, 1999.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 204X)]

**Norfolk Southern Railway Company—
Abandonment Exemption—in
Mecklenburg County, NC**

Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NS) has filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments* to abandon 2.87 miles of its line of railroad between milepost R-O.13 and milepost R-3.0 in Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, NC. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 28209 and 28227.

NS has certified that: (1) no local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) there has been no overhead traffic on the line during the past 2 years and any overhead traffic could be rerouted over other lines; (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 Surface Transportation Board (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 (environmental reports), 49 CFR 1105.8 (historic reports), 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.

As a condition to this exemption, any employee adversely affected by the abandonment shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line R. Co.—Abandonment—Goshen*, 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. Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) has been received, this exemption will be effective on April 8, 1999, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues,¹ formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR

¹ The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption's effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Service Rail Lines*, 5 I.C.C.2d 377 (1989). Any request for a stay should be filed as soon as possible so that the Board may take appropriate action before the exemption's effective date.

1152.27(c)(2),² and trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by March 19, 1999. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by March 29, 1999, with: Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423.

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to applicant's representative: James R. Paschall, General Attorney, Norfolk Southern Corporation, Three Commercial Place, Norfolk, VA 23510.

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

NS has filed an environmental report which addresses the abandonment's effects, if any, on the environment and historic resources. The Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by March 12, 1999. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA by writing to SEA (Room 500, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423) or by calling SEA, at (202) 565-1545. 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), NS 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 NS's filing of a notice of consummation by March 9, 2000, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

Board decisions and notices are available on our website at "WWW.STB.DOT.GOV."

Decided: March 2, 1999.

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

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Departmental Offices; Proposed Collections; Comment Requests

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on an information collection that is due for renewed approval by the Office of Management and Budget. The Office of Program Services within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning Treasury International Capital Form S, Purchases and Sales of Long-term Securities by Foreigners.

DATES: Written comment should be received on or before May 10, 1999 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Dwight Walkow, Administrator, International Portfolio Investment Data Systems, Department of the Treasury, Room 5205, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the forms and instructions should be directed to Dwight Walkow, Administrator, International Portfolio Investment Data Systems, Department of the Treasury, Room 5205, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington DC 20220, (202) 622-1276.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Treasury International Capital Form S. Purchases and Sales of Long-term Securities by Foreigners.

OMB Number: 1505-0001.

Abstract: Form S is part of the Treasury International Capital (TIC) reporting system, which is required by law (22 USC 286f; 22 USC 3103; EO 10033; 31 CFR 128), and is designed to collect timely information on international portfolio capital movements. Form S is a monthly report used to cover transaction in long-term marketable securities undertaken DIRECTLY with foreigners by banks, other depository institutions, brokers, dealers, underwriting groups and other individuals and institutions. This information is necessary for compiling the U.S. balance of payments accounts, for calculating the U.S. international investment position, and for use in formulating U.S. international financial and monetary policies.

Current Actions: No changes to reporting requirements for the form are proposed at this time.

Type of Review: Extension.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Form S (1505-0001).

Estimated Number of Respondents: 425.

Estimated Average Time per Respondent: 5 hours per respondent per filing.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 25,500 hours, based on 12 reporting periods per year.

Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the requests for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. The public is invited to submit written comments concerning: whether Form S is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Office, including whether the information collected has practical uses; the accuracy of the above burden estimates; ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; ways to minimize the reporting and/or record keeping burdens on respondents, including the use of information technologies to automate the collection of the data; and estimates of capital or start-up costs of operation, maintenance, and purchases of services to provide information.

Dwight Walkow,

Administrator, International Portfolio Investment Data Systems.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Customs Services

[T.D. 99-23]

Cancellation of Customs Broker License

AGENCY: U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Cancellation of License.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 111.51(a), the following Customs broker licenses have been canceled due to the death of the broker.

² Each offer of financial assistance must be accompanied by the filing fee, which currently is set at \$1000. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).