

## NEW EXEMPTIONS—Continued

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of exemption thereof
12795-N .....	RSPA-01-10340	Scientific Cylinder Corp., Englewood, CO.	49 CFR (e)(8), (e)(15)(vi) and (e)(19), 173.34(e)(1), (e)(3), (e)(4), (e)(5), (e)(6), (e)(7).	To authorize the transportation in commerce of DOT-3A cylinders manufactured from 6061 alloy which are 100% ultrasonic wall thickness inspected in lieu of the internal visual test. (Modes 1, 2, 3, 4.)
12800-N .....	RSPA-01-10317	Department of Energy, (DOE), Washington, DC.	49 CFR 173.427(b) .....	To authorize the transportation in commerce of unit train shipments in exclusive use of soil-like radioactive LSA-11 waste material in strong tight bulk packages (closed rail cars). (Mode 2.)

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

## Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB-344 (Sub-No. 1X)]

## Chicago Southshore &amp; South Bend Railroad—Abandonment Exemption—in LaPorte County, IN

On July 31, 2001, Chicago Southshore & South Bend Railroad (CSS) 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 a line of railroad<sup>1</sup> extending from a connection at the east end of CSS's Lincoln Yard, near Second Street, to the end of the line at the facility of the Pioneer Lumber Company, a distance of less than one-half mile (approximately 2,400 feet), in LaPorte County, IN. The line traverses U.S. Postal Service ZIP Code 46360 and includes no stations.

Based on information in its possession, CSS states that the line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in CSS's possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it.

The interest of railroad employees will be protected by *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 November 16, 2001.

Any offer of financial assistance (OFA) under 49 CFR 1152.27(b)(2) will be due no later than 10 days after

<sup>1</sup> In its petition, CSS describes the line as an industrial lead track. CSS states that it is aware that the abandonment of industrial track is excepted from regulation by the Board pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10906. It further states, however, that because the industrial track may previously have been a part of another carrier's main line, it is seeking this exemption out of an abundance of caution.

service of a decision granting the petition for exemption. Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which currently is set at \$1,000. 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 September 10, 2001. 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-344 (Sub-No. 1X) and must be sent to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20423-0001; and (2) Troy W. Garris, 1300 Nineteenth Street, NW, Fifth Floor, Washington, DC 20036-1609. Replies to the CSS petition are due on or before September 10, 2001.

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 1-800-877-8339.)

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.

Board decisions and notices are available on our website at "www.stb.dot.gov."

Decided: August 14, 2001.

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

**Vernon A. Williams,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

## Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

August 10, 2001.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 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 September 19, 2001 to be assured of consideration.

## Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-0023.

Form Number: IRS Form 720.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Quarterly Federal Excise Tax Return.

**Description:** The information supplied on Form 720 is used by the IRS to determine the correct tax liability. Additionally, the data is reported by the IRS to Treasury so that funds may be transferred from the general revenue funds to the appropriate trust funds.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit, Individuals or households, Not-for-profit institution, Farms, Federal

Government, State, Local or Tribal Government.  
*Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers:* 50,000.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper:*

Form	Recordkeeping	Learning about the law or the form	Preparing and sending the form to the IRS
Form 720 .....	23 hr., 53 min. ....	1 hr., 49 min. ....	4 hr., 40 min.
Schedule A .....	1 hr., 54 min. ....	.....	1 min.
Schedule C Part I .....	1 hr., 54 min. ....	6 min. ....	7 min.
Schedule C Part II .....	22 hr., 28 min. ....	6 min. ....	28 min.
Schedule C Part III .....	14 min. ....	.....	.....
Form 6197 .....	4 hr., 18 min. ....	12 min. ....	16 min.
Form 6627 .....	5 hr., 1 min. ....	6 min. ....	11 min.

*Frequency of Response:* Quarterly.  
*Estimated Total Reporting/Recordkeeping Burden:* 3,479,551 hours.

*OMB Number:* 1545-0245.  
*Form Number:* IRS Form 6627.  
*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Environmental Taxes.  
*Description:* Form 6627 is attached to Form 720 to compute and collect tax on chemical substances, and ozone-depleting chemicals.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit, Individuals or households.  
*Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers:* 1,610.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper:* 1 hour, 47 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* Annually.  
*Estimated Total Reporting/Recordkeeping Burden:* 5,174 hours.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1621.  
*Form Number:* IRS Forms W-8BEN, W-8ECI, W-8EXP, and W-8IMY.  
*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* W-8BEN: Certificate of Foreign Status of Beneficial Owner for United States Tax Withholding;

W-8ECI: Certificate of Foreign Person's Claim From Withholding on Income Effectively Connected With the Conduct of a Trade or Business in the United States;

W-8EXP: Certificate of Foreign Government or Other Foreign Organization for United States Tax Withholding; and

W-8IMY: Certificate of Foreign Intermediary, Foreign Flow-Through Entity, or Certain U.S. Branches for United States Tax Withholding.

*Description:* Form W-8BEN is used for certain types of income to establish that the person is a foreign person, is the beneficial owner of the income for which Form W-8BEN is being provided and, if applicable, to claim a reduced rate of, or exemption from, withholding as a resident of a foreign country with which the United States has an income tax treaty.

Form W-8ECI is used to establish that the person is a foreign person, is the beneficial owner of the income for which Form W-8ECI is being provided, and to claim that the income is effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business within the United States.

Form W-8EXP is given and, if applicable, to claim a reduced rate of, or exemption from, withholding.

Form W-8IMY is provided to a withholding agent or payer by a foreign intermediary, foreign partnership, and certain U.S. branches to make representations regarding the status of beneficial owners or transmit appropriate documentation to the withholding agent.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit, Individuals or households, Not-for-profit institutions.

*Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers:* 3,180,640.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper:*

Form	Recordkeeping	Learning about the law or the form	Preparing and sending the form to the IRS
W-8BEN .....	5 hr., 58 min. ....	3 hr., 46 min. ....	4 hr., 2 min.
W-8ECI .....	3 hr., 35 min. ....	3 hr., 22 min. ....	3 hr., 35 min.
W-8EXP .....	7 hr., 10 min. ....	5 hr., 28 min. ....	5 hr., 49 min.
W-8IMY .....	5 hr., 58 min. ....	4 hr., 38 min. ....	6 hr., 8 min.

*Frequency of Response:* Annually.  
*Estimated Total Reporting/Recordkeeping Burden:* 43,280,135 hours.

*Clearance Officer:* Garrick Shear, Internal Revenue Service, Room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

*OMB Reviewer:* Alexander T. Hunt, (202) 395-7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10202, New

Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**Fiscal Service**

**Financial Management Service; Proposed Collection of Information: Depositor's Application To Withdraw Postal Savings**

**AGENCY:** Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Financial Management Service, as part of its continuing effort