NEW EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS—Continued

Application No.	Applicant	Reason for delay	Estimated date of completion
11542–N	Sunrise Supply Enterprises, Ltd., Albuquerque, NM	4	09/30/1996
11551-N	The Fertilizer Institute, Washington, DC		08/30/1996
11557-N	Westvaco, Richmond, VA	4	09/30/1996
11559-N	Japan Oxygen, Inc., Long Beach, CA		09/30/1996
11561-N	Solkatronic Chemicals, Fairfield, NJ		10/30/1996
11565-N	C.P.F. Dualam Inc., Gatesville, TX		09/30/1996
11572-N	North American Biologicals, Inc., Miami, FL		09/30/1996
11578-N	General Alum & Chemical Co., Searsport, MA		10/15/1996
11583-N	Alaska Railroad Corp., Anchorage, AK	4	11/15/1996
11584-N	Monsanto Co., St. Louis, MO	1	09/30/1996
11586-N	Chem Coast Inc., La Porte, TX	4	10/15/1996
11591–N	Clearwater Distributors, Inc., Woodridge, NY	4	09/30/1996
11592-N	Amtrol Inc., West Warwick, RI	4	09/30/1996
11593-N	Johnson & Johnson, Skillman, NJ	4	09/30/1996
11597-N	Zeneca, Inc., Wilmington, DE		10/30/1996
11598-N	Metalcraft Inc., Baltimore, MD		09/30/1996
11599-N	Haviland Products Co., Grand Rapids, MI	1	10/30/1996
11606-N	Safety-Kleen Corp., Elgin, IL	4	10/30/1996
11609-N	Rubbermaid Commercial Products Inc., Winchester, VA	4	10/31/1996
11615-N	Allied-Signal Aerospace Co., Kansas City, MO	4	08/30/1996
11620-N	Advanced Monobloc Corp., Hermitage, PA		10/30/1996
11621-N	Aerojet Industrial Products, North Las Vegas, NV		10/30/1996
11622-N	Monsanto Co., St. Louis, MO	4	10/30/1996
11625-N	Exxon Chemical Co., Baytown, TX		10/30/1996
11626-N	DeVilbiss Health Care, Inc., Ft. Pierce, FL		09/30/1996
11627-N	Cabot Corporation, Revere, PA		11/30/1996
11631-N	Health Care Incinerators, Fargo, ND		10/31/1996

MODIFICATIONS TO EXEMPTIONS

Application No.	Applicant	Reason for delay	Estimated date of completion
4354–M	PPG Industries, Inc., Pittsburgh, PA	4	09/30/1996
5493-M	Montana Sulphur & Chemical Co., Billings, MT		09/30/1996
6117-M	Montanta Sulphur & Chemical Co., Billings, MT	4	10/15/1996
8556-M	Air Products & Chemicals, Inc., Allentown, PA		10/31/1996
8710-M	Akzo Nobel, Chicago, IL		08/30/1996
9001-M	Chesterfield Cylinders Limited, Chesterfield, Derbyshire, EN		08/15/1996
9184-M	The Carbide/Graphite Group, Inc., Louisville, KY	4	08/30/1996
9778-M	Western Atlas International, Houston, TX	4	09/30/1996
9909-M	Taylor-Wharton, Harrisburg, PA	4	09/30/1996
10511-M	Schlumberger Technology Corporation, Houston, TX	4	10/31/1996
10517-M	Nalco Chemical Co., Naperville, IL	4	11/30/1996
10962-M	International Compliance Center Ltd., Niagara Falls, NY		08/30/1996
10997-M	HR Textron Inc., Pacoima, CA	3, 4	08/30/1996
11055-M	Rollis Chempak Inc., Wilmington, DE	4	09/30/1996
11215-M	Orbital Sciences Corp., Dulles, VA	4	10/30/1996
11260-M	Texas Instruments Inc., Attleboro, MA	1	08/31/1996
11321–M	E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Company, Inc., Wilmington, DE	4	09/30/1996.

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[Docket No. AB-3 (Sub-No. 131)]

Missouri Pacific Railroad Company— Abandonment—Hope-Bridgeport Line in Dickinson and Saline Counties, KS

[Docket No. AB-8 (Sub-No. 37)]2

The Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad Company—Discontinuance of Trackage Rights—Hope-Bridgeport Line in Dickinson and Saline Counties, KS

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board. **ACTION:** Notice of findings.

SUMMARY: The Board has found that the public convenience and necessity permit the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company (MPRR) to abandon, and The Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad Company to discontinue its trackage rights on, a line of railroad extending from milepost 459.20 near Hope to milepost 491.20 near Bridgeport, a distance of approximately 31.24 miles (milepost 478.05 = milepost 478.81) in Dickinson and Saline Counties, KS, subject to standard employee protective conditions, environmental conditions, and a 180day trail use condition, all of which are set forth in Decision No. 44, served on August 12, 1996, in Finance Docket No.

DATES: The Board's decision will be effective on September 11, 1996. Any financial assistance offer must be filed with the Board and the railroads no later than August 22, 1996. Any offer previously made must be remade by the due date. A certificate will be issued unless the Board also finds that: (1) A financially responsible person has offered financial assistance (through

subsidy or purchase) to enable the rail service to continue; and (2) it is likely that the assistance would fully compensate the railroad.

ADDRESSES: Send offers referring to Docket Nos. AB-3 (Sub-No. 131) and AB-8 (Sub-No. 37) to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Branch, 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20423; and (2) Robert T. Opal, 1416 Dodge Street, Room #830, Omaha, NE 68179; and Gary A. Laakso, The Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad Company, One Market Plaza, Room 846, San Francisco, CA 94105. The following notation must be typed in bold face on the lower left-hand corner of the envelope containing the offer: "Office of Proceedings, AB-OFA."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julia M. Farr, (202) 927–5352. [TDD for the hearing impaired: (202) 927–5721].

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Additional information is contained in the Board's Decision No. 44 in Finance Docket No. 32760. To purchase a copy of the full decision, write to, call, or pick up in person from: DC News & Data, Inc., 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 2229, Washington, DC 20423. Telephone: (202) 289–4357/4359. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through TDD services (202) 927–5721.]

Information and procedures regarding financial assistance for continued rail service are contained in 49 U.S.C. 10905 and 49 CFR 1152.27.

Decided: August 6, 1996.

By the Board, Chairman Morgan, Vice Chairman Simmons, and Commissioner Owen

Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

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[Docket No. AB-3 (Sub-No. 130)]

Missouri Pacific Railroad Company— Abandonment—Towner-NA Junction Line in Kiowa, Crowley, and Pueblo Counties, CO

[Docket No. AB-8 (Sub-No. 38)]²

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.

The Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad Company—Discontinuance of Trackage Rights—Towner-NA Junction Line in Kiowa, Crowley, and Pueblo Counties, CO

ACTION: Notice of findings.

SUMMARY: The Board has found that the public convenience and necessity permit the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company (MPRR) to abandon, and The Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad Company to discontinue its overhead trackage rights operations over, MPRR's Towner-NA Junction Line, which extends between MP 869.4 near NA (North Avondale) Junction, CO, and MP 747.0 near Towner, CO, a distance of approximately 122.4 miles in Pueblo, Crowley, and Kiowa Counties, CO, subject to standard employee protective conditions, environmental conditions, and a 180-day trail use condition, all of which are set forth in Decision No. 44, served on August 12, 1996, in Finance Docket No. 32760.

DATES: The Board's decision will be effective on September 11, 1996. Any financial assistance offer must be filed with the Board and the railroads no later than August 22, 1996. Any offer previously made must be remade by the due date. A certificate will be issued unless the Board also finds that: (1) A financially responsible person has offered financial assistance (through subsidy or purchase) to enable the rail service to continue; and (2) it is likely that the assistance would fully compensate the railroad.

ADDRESSES: Send offers referring to Docket Nos. AB–3 (Sub-No. 130) and AB–8 (Sub-No. 38) to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Branch, 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20423; and (2) Robert T. Opal, 1416 Dodge Street, Room 830, Omaha, NE 68179; and Gary A. Laakso, The Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad Company, One Market Plaza, Room 846, San Francisco, CA 94105. The following notation must be typed in

decided under the law in effect prior to January 1, 1996, insofar as they involve functions retained by the Act. This notice relates to a proceeding that was pending with the ICC prior to January 1, 1996, and to functions that are subject to Board jurisdiction pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10903. Therefore, this notice applies the law in effect prior to the Act, and citations are to the former section of the statute, unless otherwise indicated.

¹ The ICC Termination Act of 1995, Pub. L. No. 104-88, 109 Stat. 803 (the Act), which was enacted on December 29, 1995, and took effect on January 1, 1996, abolished the Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) and transferred certain functions and proceedings to the Surface Transportation Board (Board). Section 204(b)(1) of the act provides, in general, that proceedings pending before the ICC on the effective date of that legislation shall be decided under the law in effect prior to January 1, 1996, insofar as they involve functions retained by the Act. This notice relates to a proceeding that was pending with the ICC prior to January 1, 1996, and to functions that are subject to Board jurisdiction pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10903. Therefore, this notice applies the law in effect prior to the Act, and citations are to the former section of the statute. unless otherwise indicated.

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