

As a condition to this exemption, any employees affected by the acquisition of the trackage rights will be protected by the conditions imposed in *Norfolk & Western Railway—Trackage Rights—Burlington Northern, Inc.*, 354 I.C.C. 605 (1978), as modified in *Mendocino Coast Railway—Lease & Operate—California Western Railroad*, 360 I.C.C. 653 (1980).

If the notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions for stay must be filed no later than June 13, 2018 (at least seven days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 36198, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Thomas J. Litwiler, Fletcher & Sippel LLC, 29 North Wacker Drive, Suite 920, Chicago, IL 60606.

According to NOPB Corp., this action is categorically excluded from environmental review under 49 CFR 1105.6(c).

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Decided: June 1, 2018.

By the Board, Scott M. Zimmerman, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

Jeffrey Herzig,
Clearance Clerk.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. FD 36195]

New Jersey Transit Corporation— Acquisition Exemption—Consolidated Rail Corporation in the County of Middlesex, N.J.

The New Jersey Transit Corporation (NJ Transit), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to acquire from Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail) an approximately 3.3-mile portion of the property commonly known as the Delco

Industrial Lead in Middlesex County, N.J., from milepost 33.1 to milepost 36.4 (the Line). NJ Transit states that, under the proposed transaction, Conrail will transfer to NJ Transit the real property and railroad fixtures associated with the Line. According to NJ Transit, Conrail will retain an exclusive operating easement to continue to provide freight rail service over the Line.¹

NJ Transit states that, pursuant to a 1984 trackage rights agreement (1984 Agreement), it and Conrail have jointly used the Line for many years.² NJ Transit claims that its proposed acquisition will not affect or impair Conrail's ability to provide freight service to existing or future shippers. According to NJ Transit, it is acquiring the property to provide commuter rail service and is not acquiring any right or obligation to provide freight service on the Line. NJ Transit also states that the agreements underlying the acquisition do not contain any provisions that would limit interchange with a third-party connecting carrier.

NJ Transit certifies that, because it will not conduct any rail carrier operations on the Line, its projected revenues from freight operations will not result in the creation of a Class I or Class II carrier.

NJ Transit states that it will consummate the proposed transaction at the conclusion of this exemption proceeding. The earliest this transaction may be consummated is June 20, 2018, the effective date of the exemption (30 days after the verified notice of exemption was filed).

If the notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions for stay must be filed no later than June 13, 2018 (at least seven days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 36195, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Charles A. Spitulnik,

¹ NJ Transit also filed a motion to dismiss the notice of exemption on the grounds that the transaction does not require authorization from the Board. The motion to dismiss will be addressed in a subsequent Board decision.

² NJ Transit includes with its verified notice excerpts from the 1984 Agreement. It also submits documents implementing the current transaction including an agreement supplementing the 1984 Agreement, a quitclaim deed, and an agreement of sale.

Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell LLP, 1001 Connecticut Ave. NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20036.

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Decided: May 30, 2018.

By the Board, Scott M. Zimmerman, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

Brendetta Jones,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA-2018-0024; Notice No. 2018-07]

Hazardous Materials Safety: International Standards on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: On Tuesday, June 12, 2018, PHMSA will host two public meetings. The first meeting—led by PHMSA—will solicit public input on current proposals and discuss potential new work items for inclusion in the agenda of the 53rd session of the United Nations Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (UNSCOE TDG). The second meeting—led by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)—will discuss proposals in preparation for the 35th session of the United Nations Subcommittee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (UNSCGHS).

DATES: Both public meetings will take place on Tuesday, June 12, 2018.

PHMSA Public Meeting: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. EDT

OSHA Public Meeting: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. EDT

ADDRESSES: Both public meetings will take place at DOT Headquarters, West Building, Oklahoma City Conference Room, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Steven Webb or Mr. Aaron Wiener, Office of Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-8553.

served Mar. 21, 2014) (noting that the authority for a continuance in control exemption under 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2) would be effective prospectively only); see also *Kan. City S. Lines, Inc.—Corp. Family Transaction Exemption—KCS Transp. Co.*, FD 33510, slip op. at 1 n.1 (STB served Dec. 10, 1997) (“no class exemption provides for retroactive application”). Accordingly, the authority will be effective prospectively only.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Advanced Meeting Registration: DOT requests that attendees pre-register for these meetings by completing the form at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LQQFCHS>. Attendees may use the same form to pre-register for both meetings. Failure to pre-register may delay your access into the DOT Headquarters building. Additionally, if you are attending in person, arrive early to allow time for security checks necessary to access the building.

Conference call-in and “Skype meeting” capability will be provided for both meetings. Specific information on such access will be posted when available at <https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/international-program/international-program-overview> under Upcoming Events.

PHMSA Public Meeting

The primary purpose of PHMSA’s meeting is to prepare for the 53rd session of the UNSCOE TDG. This session represents the third meeting scheduled for the 2017–2018 biennium. UNSCOE will consider proposals for the 21st Revised Edition of the *United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (Model Regulations)*, which may be implemented into relevant domestic, regional, and international regulations from January 1, 2021. Copies of working documents, informal documents, and the meeting agenda may be obtained from the United Nations (UN) Transport Division’s website at <https://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgsubc3/c32018.html>.

General topics on the agenda for the UNSCOE TDG meeting include:

- Explosives and related matters;
- Listing, classification, and packing;
- Electric storage systems;
- Transport of gases;
- Global harmonization of regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods with the Model Regulations;
- Guiding principles for the Model Regulations;
- Cooperation with the International Atomic Energy Agency;
- New proposals for amendments to the Model Regulations;
- Issues relating to the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS); and
- Miscellaneous pending issues.

Following the 53rd session of the UNSCOE TDG, a copy of the Sub-Committee’s report will be available at <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgsubc3/c3rep.html>. Additional information regarding the UNSCOE TDG and related matters can be found on

PHMSA’s website at <https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/international-program/international-program-overview>.

OSHA Public Meeting

The **Federal Register** notice and additional detailed information relating to OSHA’s public meeting will be available upon publication at [federalregister.gov](https://www.federalregister.gov) (Docket No. OSHA–2016–0005). OSHA is hosting the meeting in preparation for the 35th session of the UNSCEGHS. It will provide interested groups and individuals with an update on GHS-related issues, as well as solicit input on the development of U.S. Government positions on proposals submitted to the UNSCEGHS.

Issued at Washington, DC, on May 31, 2018.

William S. Schoonover,

Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Bureau of Transportation Statistics**

[Docket ID Number DOT–OST–2014–0031]

**Agency Information Collection;
Activity Under OMB Review;
Submission of Audit Reports—Part 248**

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology (OST–R), Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for extension of currently approved collections. 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 the following collection of information was published on March 28, 2018 (83 FR 13442). Four comments were received. None pertained to this Information Collection Request and will be addressed by the Department at this time.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by July 6, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Gorham, Office of Airline Information, RTS–42, Room E34, OST–R, BTS, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590–0001, Telephone Number (202) 366–4406, Fax Number (202) 366–3383 or email jeff.gorham@dot.gov.

Comments: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725–17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention: OST Desk Officer.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval No. 2138–0004.

Title: Submission of Audit Reports—Part 248.

Form No.: None.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Large certificated air carriers.

Number of Respondents: 60.

Number of Responses: 60.

Total Burden per Response: 15 minutes.

Total Annual Burden: 15 hours.

Needs and Uses: BTS collects independent audited financial reports from U.S. certificated air carriers. Carriers not having an annual audit must file a statement that no such audit has been performed. In lieu of the audit report, BTS will accept the annual report submitted to the stockholders. The audited reports are needed by the Department of Transportation as: (1) A means to monitor an air carrier’s continuing fitness to operate; (2) reference material used by analysts in examining foreign route cases; (3) reference material used by analysts in examining proposed mergers, acquisitions and consolidations; (4) a means whereby BTS sends a copy of the report to the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) in fulfillment of a United States treaty obligation; and, (5) corroboration of a carrier’s Form 41 filings.

The Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (44 U.S.C. 3501), requires a statistical agency to clearly identify information it collects for non-statistical purposes. BTS hereby notifies the respondents and the public that BTS uses the information it collects under this OMB approval for non-statistical purposes including, but not limited to, publication of both Respondent’s identity and its data, and submission of the information to agencies outside BTS for review, analysis and possible use in regulatory and other administrative matters.

Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information