

	Percent
Non-Profit Organizations without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.500

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 15796 8 and for economic injury is 15797 0.

The States which received an EIDL Declaration # are Virginia, North Carolina.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 59008)

Dated: November 13, 2018.

Linda E. McMahon,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 10612]

U.S. Department of State Cuba Internet Task Force; Notice of Open Meeting

The U.S. Department of State will conduct a public meeting of the Cuba Internet Task Force, Thursday, December 6, 2018, from 3:30 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Harry S. Truman Building, 2201 C Street NW, Room 1107.

In accordance with the National Security Presidential Memorandum of June 16, 2017, on Strengthening the Policy of the United States Toward Cuba (NSPM–5), the Department of State created the Cuba internet Task Force and hosted its first public meeting on February 7, 2018. During the February meeting, the Task Force decided to create two subcommittees that would explore and develop recommendations on (1) the role of the media and the free, unregulated flow of information through independent media in Cuba, and (2) expanding internet access in Cuba. This meeting will be an opportunity to discuss the subcommittees' findings. The Cuba internet Task Force is composed of U.S. government and non-government representatives and its purpose is to examine technological challenges and opportunities for expanding internet access in Cuba.

As space is limited for this meeting, seats will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Those wishing to attend must RSVP by emailing CubaITF@state.gov with your name, organization, and contact information no later than November 30, 2018. Requests for reasonable accommodation

should be made prior to November 30, 2018.

Dale B. Eppler,

*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary,
Department of State.*

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 10613]

Call for Expert Reviewers To Contribute to the U.S. Government Review of the Second and Third Special Reports To Be Undertaken by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) During the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) Cycle

The Department of State in cooperation with the United States Global Change Research Program (USGCRP), requests expert review of the second-order drafts of the IPCC Special Report on land and the IPCC Special Report on oceans, including the first draft of each report's Summary for Policymakers (SPM).

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) established the IPCC in 1988. As reflected in its governing documents (the IPCC's "principles and procedures"), the role of the IPCC is to assess on a comprehensive, objective, open, and transparent basis the scientific, technical, and socio-economic information relevant to understanding the scientific basis of risk of human-induced climate change, its potential impacts, and options for adaptation and mitigation. IPCC reports should be neutral with respect to policy, although they may need to deal objectively with scientific, technical, and socio-economic factors relevant to the application of particular policies. The principles and procedures for the IPCC and its preparation of reports can be found at: <https://www.ipcc.ch/pdf/ipcc-principles/ipcc-principles.pdf> and <http://ipcc.ch/pdf/ipcc-principles/ipcc-principles-appendix-a-final.pdf>.

At the 45th Session of the Panel (Guadalajara, Mexico, March 28–31, 2017), the IPCC approved the outlines for the Special Report on climate change, desertification, land degradation, sustainable land management, food security, and greenhouse gas fluxes in terrestrial ecosystems ("Land Special Report") and the Special Report on the ocean and cryosphere in a changing climate ("Oceans Special Report"). The Tables

of Contents for the Special Reports can be viewed here:

http://www.ipcc.ch/meetings/session45/Decision_Outline_SR_Oceans.pdf.

http://www.ipcc.ch/meetings/session45/Decision_Outline_SR_LandUse.pdf.

Review of IPCC documents involves both peer review by experts and review by governments. All IPCC reports go through two broad reviews: A "first-order draft" reviewed by experts and a "second-order draft" reviewed by both experts and governments. The purpose of these reviews is to ensure the reports present a comprehensive, objective, and balanced view of the areas they cover.

The IPCC Secretariat has informed the U.S. Department of State that the second-order drafts of the Special Reports are available for Expert and Government Review.

As part of the U.S. Government Review—starting on November 16, 2018 for the Oceans Special Report and November 19, 2018 for the Land Special Report—experts wishing to contribute to the U.S. Government review are encouraged to register via the USGCRP Review and Comment System (<https://review.globalchange.gov/>). Instructions and the second-order drafts of the Special Reports will be available for download via the system. In accordance with IPCC policy, drafts of the reports are provided for review purposes only and are not to be cited or distributed. The USGCRP coordination office will compile U.S. expert comments and submit them to the IPCC, on behalf of the Department of State, by the prescribed deadline. U.S. experts have the opportunity to submit comments via the USGCRP Review and Comment System (<https://review.globalchange.gov/>) from November 16 to December 19, 2018, for the Oceans Special Report and from November 19 to December 19, 2018, for the Land Special Report. To be considered for inclusion in the U.S. Government submission, comments on either of the two Special Reports must be received by December 19, 2018, in the proper format. All technical comments received that are relevant to the text under review will be forwarded to the IPCC authors for their consideration.

Experts may choose to provide comments directly through the IPCC's Expert Review process, which occurs in parallel with the U.S. Government Review:

<https://www.ipcc.ch/apps/comments/srocc/sod/register.php>.

<https://www.ipcc.ch/apps/comments/srccl/sod/register.php>.

This notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.

Farhan H. Akhtar,
Foreign Affairs Officer, Office of Global
Change, Department of State.
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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. FD 36182]

North Central Mississippi Regional Railroad Authority—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Mississippi Department of Transportation

North Central Mississippi Regional Railroad Authority (NCMRRRA), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to acquire and operate a 21.70-mile rail line owned by the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MSDOT) that extends from milepost H–0.20 (at Aberdeen Junction) to milepost H–21.90 (at Kosciusko), in Holmes and Attala Counties, Miss. (Kosciusko Line).¹

NCMRRRA states that it will become a rail carrier through this acquisition. The transaction is related to a petition for exemption in *North Central Mississippi Regional Railroad Authority & Grenada Railway—Continuance in Control Exemption*, Docket No. FD 36234, in which NCMRRRA seeks to continue in control of Grenada Railway, LLC (GRYR), a Class III carrier owned and controlled by NCMRRRA, once NCMRRRA becomes a rail carrier.²

NCMRRRA states that it has reached an agreement with MSDOT for NCMRRRA to

acquire and operate the Kosciusko Line upon the effective date established by the Board. NCMRRRA states that the transaction does not include any interchange commitments that prohibit NCMRRRA from interchanging traffic with a third party or limit NCMRRRA's ability to interchange with a third party.

NCMRRRA certifies that its projected annual revenues will not exceed those that would qualify it as a Class III carrier and that the projected annual revenues of NCMRRRA will not exceed \$5 million as a result of this transaction. The transaction may be consummated on or after December 4, 2018, the effective date of the exemption, consistent with the timetable specified in 49 CFR 1150.32(b).

If the verified 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 November 27, 2018. An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 36182, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423–0001. In addition, one copy of each pleading must be served on William A. Mullins, Baker & Miller PLLC, 2401 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20037.

According to NCMRRRA, this action is categorically excluded from environmental review under 49 CFR 1105.6(c) and from historic reporting requirements under 49 CFR 1105.8(b)(1).

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

Decided: November 15, 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 36234]

North Central Mississippi Regional Railroad Authority—Continuance in Control Exemption

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.

ACTION: Notice of exemption.

SUMMARY: The Board is granting an exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502 from the prior approval requirements of 49

U.S.C. 11323–25 for North Central Mississippi Regional Railroad Authority (NCMRRRA), a noncarrier, to continue in control of Grenada Railway, LLC (GRYR), a Class III carrier owned and controlled by NCMRRRA, when NCMRRRA becomes a Class III rail carrier in a related transaction involving its acquisition of a 21.7-mile rail line in Holmes and Attala Counties, Miss., currently owned by the Mississippi Department of Transportation.¹ After the consummation of the acquisition transaction, NCMRRRA and GRYR will exist as separately managed and maintained entities within the same corporate family, and will connect at or near Aberdeen Junction, Miss. Because all of the carriers involved are Class III carriers, the continuance-in-control exemption is not subject to labor protective conditions.

DATES: This exemption will be effective on December 4, 2018. Petitions to stay must be filed by November 27, 2018. Petitions to reopen must be filed by December 10, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Send an original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 36234, to: Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423–0001. In addition, one copy of each pleading must be served on William A. Mullins, Baker & Miller PLLC, 2401 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20037.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sarah Fancher, (202) 245–0355. Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) for the hearing impaired: (800) 877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Additional information is contained in the Board's decision served on November 20, 2018, which is available on our website, www.stb.gov.

Decided: November 15, 2018.

By the Board, Board Members Begeman and Miller.

Brendetta Jones,
Clearance Clerk.

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¹ NCMRRRA states that MSDOT purchased the rail line previously owned by Illinois Central Railroad Company (IC), by filing an offer of financial assistance after IC filed for authority to abandon the rail line. See *Ill. Cent. R.R.—Aban.—Between Aberdeen Junction & Kosciusko, in Holmes & Attala Cts., Miss.*, AB 43 (Sub-No. 163) (STB served Apr. 17, 1997).

² NCMRRRA and GRYR initially sought authorization for NCMRRRA to continue in control of both rail carriers pursuant to a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(3) for a transaction within a corporate family. See *N. Cent. Miss. Reg'l R.R. Auth.—Acquis. & Operation Exemption—Miss. Dep't of Transp. (October 12 Decision)*, FD 36182 et al. (STB served Oct. 12, 2018). In the *October 12 Decision*, the Board rejected the corporate family exemption as an inappropriate mechanism for obtaining the requisite continuance in control authority and directed NCMRRRA to file a petition for exemption if it wished to do so. The notice of exemption in this proceeding was held in abeyance and its effective date postponed until further Board order.

NCMRRRA filed a petition for a continuance in control exemption on October 19, 2018. The Board is serving a decision today granting that petition. See *N. Cent. Miss. Reg'l R.R. Auth.—Continuance in Control Exemption*, FD 36234 (STB served Nov. 20, 2018). That decision also takes this proceeding out of abeyance. *Id.*

¹ See *N. Cent. Miss. Reg'l R.R. Auth.—Acquis. & Operation Exemption—Miss. Dep't of Transp.*, FD 36182 (STB served Nov. 20, 2018).