Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590, telephone (202) 366–4595, no later than November 5, 1997. Requests should include the topics to be addressed and the time requested to address each topic. The presiding officer may deny any request to present an oral statement and may limit the time of any oral presentation. Members of the public may present written statements to the Committee before or after any meeting.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 14, 1997.

#### Richard B. Felder,

Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety. [FR Doc. 97–27715 Filed 10–17–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–60–P

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 114X)]

### Union Pacific Railroad Company— Abandonment Exemption—in Washburn County, WI

On September 30, 1997, Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) 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 known as the Hayward Industrial Lead, extending from milepost 83.32 near Trego to milepost 96.0 near Hayward Junction, in Washburn County, WI, which traverses U.S. Postal Service ZIP Codes 54888 and 54875, a distance of 12.68 miles.<sup>1</sup> The line includes the non-agency stations of Trego at milepost 83.3, Earl at milepost 87.3, and Spring Brook at milepost 91.4.

The line does contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in the railroad'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 January 16, 1998.

Any offer of financial assistance (OFA) under 49 CFR 1152.27(b)(2) will be due no later than 10 days after service of a decision granting the petition for exemption. Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which currently is set at \$900. 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 November 10, 1997. 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–33 (Sub-No. 114X) and must be sent to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423– 0001; and (2) Joseph D. Anthofer, 1416 Dodge Street, Room 830, Omaha, NE 68179–0830.

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 (202) 565–1695.)

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.

Decided: October 15, 1997.

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

#### Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

#### Bureau of the Public Debt

# Proposed Collection: Comment Request

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently the Bureau of the Public Debt within the Department of the Treasury is solciting comments concerning the Request By Owner For Reissue of United States Savings Bonds/ Notes To Add Beneficiary Or Coowner, Eliminate Beneficiary Or Decedent, Show Change Of Name, And/Or Correct Error In Registration.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before December 22, 1997, to be assured of consideration. ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Bureau of the Public Debt, Vicki S. Thorpe, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, WV 26106–1328.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Vicki S. Thorpe, Bureau of the Public Debt, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, WV 26106–1328, (304) 480–6553.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Request By Owner For Reissue Of United States Savings Bonds/Notes To Add Beneficiary Or Coowner, Eliminate Beneficiary Or Decedent, Show Change Of Name, And/Or Correct Error In Registration.

OMB Number: 1535-0023.

Form Number: PD F 4000.

*Abstract:* The information is requested to support a request for reissue and to indicate the new

registration required.

*Current Actions:* None.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

Affected Public: Individuals.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 600,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 300,000.

## **Request For Comments**

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> UP states that the Hayward Industrial Lead previously extended from Trego in Washburn County to a location near Hayward in Sawyer County, WI. The segment between Hayward Junction and Hayward was acquired by Wisconsin Central Ltd. (WCL) pursuant to an acquisition exemption in *Wisconsin Central Ltd.—Acquisition Exemption—Lines of Union Pacific Railroad Company*, STB Finance Docket No. 33116 (STB served Apr. 17, 1997). WCL operates another rail line that connects to the acquired line at Hayward Junction. UP states that the line to be abandoned does not now connect to any UP rail line.

included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: October 14, 1997.

#### Vicki S. Thorpe,

Manager, Graphics, Printing and Records Branch.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

## **Bureau of the Public Debt**

### Proposed Collection: Comment Request

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

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently the Bureau of the Public Debt within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Application by Preferred Creditor for Disposition Without Administration Where Deceased Owner's Estate Includes United States **Registered Securities And/Or Related** Checks In An Amount Not Exceeding \$500.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before December 22, 1997, to be assured of consideration. ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Bureau of the Public Debt, Vicki S. Thorpe, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, WV 26106–1328.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Vicki S. Thorpe, Bureau of the Public Debt, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, WV 26106–1328, (304) 480–6553.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Application By Preferred Creditor For Disposition Without Administration Where Deceased Owner's Estate Includes United States Registered Securities And/Or Related Checks In An Amount Not Exceeding \$500.

OMB Number: 1535-0042.

Form Number: PD F 2216.

*Abstract:* The information is requested to support a request for payment by a preferred creditor of a decedent's estate.

Current Actions: None.

Type of Review: Extension.

Affected Public: Individuals or Businesses.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 5,000.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 10 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 835.

#### **Request for Comments**

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: October 14, 1997.

#### Vicki S. Thorpe,

Manager, Graphics, Printing and Records Branch.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

# **Bureau of the Public Debt**

# Proposed Collection: Comment Request

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently the Bureau of the Public Debt within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Subscription For Purchase and Issue of U.S. Treasury Securities, State and Local Government Series.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before December 22, 1997, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Bureau of the Public Debt, Vicki S. Thorpe, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, WV 26106–1328.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Vicki S. Thorpe, Bureau of the Public Debt, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, WV 26106–1328, (304) 480–6553.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Subscription For Purchase And Issue Of U.S. Treasury Securities—State And Local Government Series.

*OMB Number:* 1535–0092.

Form Number: PD F 4144.

*Abstract:* The information is requested to establish accounts for the owners of securities of State and Local Government Series.

Current Actions: None.

Type of Review: Extension.

Affected Public: State or Local Government.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 5,000.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 55 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 4,585.

## **Request For Comments**

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are