obligation to protect the interests of its employees. Section 11326(c) however, does not provide for labor protection for transactions under sections 11324 and 11325 that involve only Class III railroad carriers. Because this transaction involves Class III rail carriers only, the Board, under that statue, may not impose labor protective conditions for this transaction.

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 transaction.

An original and ten copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34101, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423– 0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Eric M. Hocky, Gollatz, Griffin & Ewing, P.C., 213 West Miner Street, P.O. Box 796, West Chester, PA 19381–0796.

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Decided: October 19, 2001. By the Board, David M. Konschnik,

Director, Office of Proceedings. Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 33877]

Illinois Central Railroad Company— Construction and Operation Exemption—in East Baton Rouge Parish, LA

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

SUMMARY: Under 49 U.S.C. 10502, the Board conditionally exempts from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 10901 the construction and operation by Illinois Central Railroad Company of a line of railroad, approximately 3.2 miles in length, in East Baton Rouge Parish, LA.¹ **DATES:** The exemption will not become effective until the environmental review process is completed. Once that process is completed, the Board will issue a further decision addressing the environmental impacts, and if appropriate, make the exemption effective at that time, thereby allowing construction to begin. Petitions to reopen must be filed by November 14, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Send pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 33877, to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20423– 0001; and (2) Myles L. Tobin, 455 North Cityfront Plaza Drive, Chicago, IL 60601–5317 and William C. Sippel and Thomas J. Litwiler, Two Prudential Plaza, Suite 3125, 180 North Stetson Ave., Chicago, IL 60601–6721.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph H. Dettmar (202) 565–1600 [TDD for the hearing impaired: 1–800–877– 8339.]

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Additional information is contained in the Board's decision. To purchase a copy of the full decision, write to, call, or pick up in person from: Da 2 Da Legal, 1925 K Street NW, Suite 405, Washington, DC 20006. Telephone: (202) 293–7776. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through TDD services 1–800–877–8339.]

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Decided: October 18, 2001.

By the Board, Chairman Morgan, Vice Chairman Clyburn, and Commissioner Burkes.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary. [FR Doc. 01–26909 Filed 10–24–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4915–00–P

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

October 17, 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 November 26, 2001 to be assured of consideration.

Internal Revenue Service

OMB Number: 1545–1378. Regulation Project Number: PS–4–89 Final.

Type of Review: Extension. *Title:* Disposition of an Interest in a Nuclear Power Plant.

Description: The regulations require that certain information be submitted as part of a request for a schedule of ruling amounts. The regulations also require certain taxpayers to file a request for a revised schedule of ruling amounts.

Respondents: Business or other forprofit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 70.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 8 hours, 13 minutes. Frequency of Response: On occasion. Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 575 hours.

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OMB Number: 1545–1629. Form Number: IRS Form 8867.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Paid Taxpayer's Earned Income Credit Checklist.

Description: Form 8867 helps preparers meet the due diligence requirements of Code section 6695(g), which was added by section 1085(a)(2) of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997. Paid preparers of Federal income tax returns or claims for refund involving the earned income credit (EIC) must meet the due diligence requirements in determining if the taxpayer is eligible for the EIC and the amount of the credit. Failure to do so could result in a \$100 penalty for each failure. Completion of Form 8867 is one of the due diligence requirements.

Respondents: Business or other forprofit.

Estimated Number of Respondents/ Recordkeepers: 1,100,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper:

Recordkeeping—13 min.

Learning about the law or the form—8 min.

Preparing the form—24 min.

Frequency of Response: Annually. Estimated Total Reporting/

Recordkeeping Burden: 9,707,399 hours.

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

¹ On July 16, 2001, IC filed a petition under 49 U.S.C. 10901(d) to require KCS to allow IC's proposed construction to cross KCS's track. The proceeding is docketed as STB Finance Docket No. 33877 (Sub-No. 1), *Illinois Central Railroad Company—Petition for Crossing Authority—In East Baton Rouge Parish, LA.* By decision served in that proceeding today, KCS's motion to dismiss the

crossing petition has been denied and a procedural schedule has been established to develop the record in that proceeding.

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt (202) 395–7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503

Mary A. Able,

Departmental Reports, Management Officer. [FR Doc. 01–26902 Filed 10–24–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4830–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

October 18, 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 November 26, 2001 to be assured of consideration.

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

OMB Number: 1512–0083. *Form Number:* ATF F 1582–B (5130.6).

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Drawback on Beer Exported. *Description:* When taxpaid beer is removed from a brewery and ultimately exported, the brewer exporting the beer is eligible for a drawback (refund) of Federal taxes paid. By completing this form and submitting documentation of exportation, the brewer may receive a refund of Federal taxes paid.

Respondents: Business or other forprofit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 100.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 1 hour.

Frequency of Response: On occasion. Estimated Total Recordkeeping Burden: 5,000 hours.

OMB Number: 1512–0164. Form Number: ATF F 3069 (5200.7). Type of Review: Extension.

Tiile: Schedule of Tobacco Products, Cigarette Papers or Tubes Withdrawn from the Market. *Description:* ATF F3069 (5200.7) is used by persons who intend to withdraw tobacco products from the market for which the taxes has already been paid or determined. The form describe the products that are to be withdrawn to determine the amount of tax to be claimed later as a tax credit or refund. The form notifies ATF when withdrawal or destruction is to tax place, and ATF may elect to supervise withdrawal or destruction.

Respondents: Business or other forprofit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 119.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 45 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion. Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 1,071 hours.

OMB Number: 1512–0543. *Form Number:* ATF F 5300.11A. *Type of Review:* Extension.

Title: Annual Firearms Manufacturing and Exportation Report of Semiautomatic Assault Weapons.

Description: The purpose for which the information is collected includes witness qualifications, congressional investigations, court decisions and disclosure, furnishing information to other Federal agencies and compliance inspections. The form will capture information on semiautomatic assault weapons that is not currently capture on ATF F 5300.11.

Respondents: Business or other forprofit, Federal Government, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,556.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 6 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Annually. Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 156 hours.

- *Clearance Officer:* Frank Bowers (202) 927–8930, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Room 3200, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226
- *OMB Reviewer:* Alexander T. Hunt (202) 395–7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503

Mary A. Able,

Departmental Reports, Management Officer. [FR Doc. 01–26903 Filed 10–24–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4810–31–P

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Fiscal Service

Treasury Current Value of Funds Rate

AGENCY: Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of rate for use in Federal debt collection and discount and rebate evaluation.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 11 of the Debt Collection Act of 1982 (31 U.S.C. 3717), the Secretary of the Treasury is responsible for computing and publishing the percentage rate to be used in assessing interest charges for outstanding debts on claims owed the Government. Treasury's Cash Management Regulations (I TFM 6-8000) prescribe use of this rate by agencies as a comparison point in evaluating the cost-effectiveness of a cash discount. In addition, 5 CFR part 1315.8 of the Prompt Payment rule on "Rebates" requires that this rate be used in determining when agencies should pay purchase card invoices when the card issuer offers a rebate. Notice is hereby given that the applicable rate is 5 percent for calendar year 2002.

DATES: The rate will be in effect for the period beginning on January 1, 2002 and ending on December 31, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Inquiries should be directed to the Risk Management Division, Financial Management Service, Department of the Treasury, 401 14th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20227 (Telephone: 202) 874–6650).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The rate reflects the current value of funds to the Treasury for use in connection with Federal Cash Management systems and is based on investment rates set for purposes of Pub. L. 95-147, 91 Stat. 1227. Computed each year by averaging investment rates for the 12-month period ending, every September 30 for applicability effective January 1, the rate is subject to quarterly revisions if the annual average, on a moving basis, changes by 2 per centum. The rate is effect for the calendar year 2002 reflects the average investment rates for the 12month period that ended September 30, 2001.

Dated: October 16, 2001.

Bettsy H. Lane,

Assistant Commissioner, Federal Finance. [FR Doc. 01–26926 Filed 10–24–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4810–35–M