

All communications concerning this proceeding should be identified by the docket number and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PL-401 (Plaza Level), 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by the FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.—5 p.m.) at the above facility. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FRA expects to be able to determine these matters without an oral hearing. However, if a specific request for an oral hearing is accompanied by a showing that the party is unable to adequately present his or her position by written statements, an application may be set for public hearing.

Issued in Washington, DC on April 28, 2003.

Grady C. Cothen, Jr.,

Deputy Associate Administrator for Safety Standards and Program Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34338]

Metro Regional Transit Authority—Acquisition Exemption—Certain Assets of Akron Barberton Cluster Railway Company

Metro Regional Transit Authority (METRO),¹ a regional transit authority, has filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31, *et seq.*, to acquire from Akron Barberton Cluster Railway Company (ABC) certain assets of a line of railroad extending between approximately milepost 11.49 in Akron, OH, and approximately milepost 8.00 in Cuyahoga Falls, OH, a distance of approximately 3.49 miles in Summit County, OH. ABC will retain an exclusive freight railroad operations easement on the subject line.

¹ METRO indicates that it will file a motion to dismiss its notice of exemption in this case to obtain a jurisdictional determination regarding its prospective common carrier status with respect to the line. That motion will be addressed in a subsequent decision.

The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on or after April 21, 2003 (7 days after the notice 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 does not automatically stay the transaction.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34338, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Edward J. Fishman, Esq., Kirkpatrick & Lockhart LLP, 1800 Massachusetts Avenue, Second Floor., Washington, DC 20036, and John M. Coyne, III, Esq., Roetzel & Andress, 222 South Main Street, Akron, OH 44308.

Board decisions and notices are available on our website at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>.

Decided: April 30, 2003.

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

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Bureau of Transportation Statistics

Advisory Council on Transportation Statistics; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

This notice announces, pursuant to Section 10(A)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (Pub. L. 72-363; 5 U.S.C. app. 2), a meeting of the BTS Advisory Council on Transportation Statistics (ACTS). The meeting will be held on June 2, 2003, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The meeting will take place at the U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington DC, on the 6th Floor, in Conference Room 6200 of the Nassif Building.

The ACTS, established under section 6007 of Public Law 102-240, Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, December 18, 1991, and chartered on June 19, 1995, was created to advise the Director of BTS on transportation statistics and analyses, including whether or not the statistics and analysis disseminated by the BTS are of high quality and are based upon the best available objective information.

The following is a summary of the meeting's agenda: (1) Welcome and Introductory Remarks; (2) Overview of Agenda Items; (3) Freight Statistics; (4) Travel Statistics; (5) Airline Data; (6) Transportation Economics; (7) Transportation Geo-spatial Data; (8) System Performance; (9) Methods and Standards; (10) New Indicators and (11) Public Comments and Closing Remarks.

Since access to the DOT building is controlled, all persons who plan to attend the meeting must notify Ms. Phyllis Seville, the Committee Management Officer at (202) 366-9510 prior to May 29, 2003. Individuals attending the meeting must report to the SW Lobby of the Nassif Building for admission to the building. Attendance is open to the public, but limited space is available. With the approval of the Chair, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Non-committee members wishing to present oral statements or obtain information should also contact Ms. Seville.

Questions about the agenda or written comments may be submitted by U.S. Mail to: U.S. Department of Transportation, Attention: Ms. Laura McClure, Designated Federal Officer, BTS, Room 3103, 400 Seventh St. SW., Washington DC 20590 or faxed to (202) 366-3640, Attention: Ms. Laura McClure. BTS requests that written comments be submitted prior to the meeting.

Persons with a disability requiring special services, such as an interpreter for the hearing impaired, should contact Ms. Seville at (202) 366-9510 at least seven calendar days prior to the meeting.

Notice of this meeting is provided in accordance with the FACA and the General Service Administration regulations (41 CFR part 102-3) covering management of Federal advisory committees.

Issued in Washington, DC, on May 2, 2003.

Rick Kowalewski,

Acting Director, Bureau of Transportation Statistics.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

May 1, 2003.

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 11000, 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before June 9, 2003 to be assured of consideration.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-1364.

Regulation Project Number: INTL-372-88 Final and INTL-401-88 Final.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: INTL-372-88 Final: Section 482 Cost Sharing Regulations; and

INTL-401-88 Final: Intercompany Transfer Pricing Regulations under section 482.

Description: INTL-372-88 Final: The information will be used to determine whether an entity is an eligible participant of a qualified cost sharing arrangement and whether each eligible participant is sharing the costs and benefits of intangible development on an arm's length basis. INTL-401-88 Final: This document contains regulations relating to the pricing transfers of tangible property, intangible property, or services between related parties.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 1,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper: 7 hours, 51 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Total Reporting/Recordkeeping Burden: 7,850 hours.

Clearance Officer: Glenn Kirkland (202) 622-3428, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6411-03, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

OMB Reviewer: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr. (202) 395-7316, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New

Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Lois K. Holland,

Departmental Reports Management Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 6781

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

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 IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 6781, Gains and Losses From Section 1256 Contracts and Straddles.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before July 7, 2003 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Glenn Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6411, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Larnice Mack at Internal Revenue Service, room 6407, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622-3179, or through the Internet at Larnice.Mack@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Gains and Losses From Section 1256 Contracts and Straddles.

OMB Number: 1545-0644.

Form Number: Form 6781.

Abstract: Form 6781 is used by taxpayers in computing their gains and losses on Internal Revenue Code section 1256 contracts under the marked-to-market rules and gains and losses under

Code section 1092 from straddle positions. The data is used to verify that the tax reported accurately reflects any such gains and losses.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to Form 6781 at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations and individuals.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 100,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 17 hrs. 16 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: 1,727,000.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

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.

Approved: April 29, 2003.

Glenn Kirkland,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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