

the No. 2 main track, and electronic track circuits have been installed, placing the ABS signals back in service under Current of Traffic rules. The No. 1 main track is currently out of service, and the track inaccessible to rail traffic. Currently, work is in progress to return the damaged portion of the No.1 main track to service, but an extension for the temporary discontinuance is needed for completion of the scope of work within the submitted time line.

Any interested party desiring to protest the granting of an application shall set forth specifically the grounds upon which the protest is made, and include a concise statement of the interest of the party in the proceeding. Additionally, one copy of the protest shall be furnished to the applicant at the address listed above.

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 wishes to inform all potential commenters that anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, *etc.*). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78) or you may visit <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.

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Deputy Associate Administrator for Safety Standards and Program Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2004-18894]

Union Pacific Railroad Company; Notice of Public Hearing and Extension of Comment Period

The Union Pacific Railroad Company has petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval of the proposed discontinuance and removal of the automatic block signal system, on the single main track, between Wellton, Arizona, milepost 770.8 and Arlington, Arizona, milepost 861.3, on the Gila and Phoenix Subdivisions, in the El Paso area, a distance of approximately 91 miles.

This block signal application proceeding is identified as Docket No. FRA-2004-18894.

The FRA has issued a public notice seeking comments of interested parties and has conducted its own field investigation in this matter. After examining the carrier's proposal and the field report, FRA has determined that a public hearing is necessary before a final decision is made on this proposal. FRA is also extending the comment period to one week beyond the date of the public hearing. If information received at the public hearing warrants the need to extend the comment period further, a separate notice will be published indicating such extension.

Accordingly, a public hearing is hereby set for 9 a.m. mountain standard time, on Wednesday, June 29, 2005, in the Arizona Corporation Commission Conference Room, Suite 300, of the Southwest Gas Building, located at 2200 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85004. Interested parties are invited to present oral statements at the hearing.

The hearing will be an informal one and will be conducted in accordance with Rule 25 of the FRA Rules of Practice (49 CFR 211.25), by a representative designated by the FRA.

The hearing will be a non adversary proceeding and, therefore, there will be no cross-examination of persons presenting statements. The FRA representative will make an opening statement outlining the scope of the hearing. After all initial statements have been completed, those persons wishing

to make brief rebuttal statements will be given the opportunity to do so in the same order in which they made their initial statements. Additional procedures, if necessary for the conduct of the hearing, will be announced at the hearing.

In addition, FRA is extending the comment period to July 7, 2005. All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (*e.g.*, Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2004-18894) and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Docket Management Facility, Room PL-401 (Plaza Level), 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. 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>.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, *etc.*). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78). The Statement may also be found at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket: RSPA-98-4957]

Request for Public Comments and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Approval of an Existing Information Collection (2137-0594)

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

SUMMARY: This notice seeks comments from the public regarding notices that gas pipeline operators must send customers about buried customer piping located downstream from service lines

and the related records operators must keep. The notices inform customers about the need for proper maintenance of this piping. Comments will help OMB evaluate the information collection burden.

DATES: Comments must be received by July 22, 2005, to ensure consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written comments to the docket by any of the following methods: DOT Web site: Go to <http://dms.dot.gov>, click on "Comments/Submissions" and follow instructions at the site. Mail: Dockets Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. Anyone wanting confirmation of mailed comments must include a self-addressed stamped postcard. Hand Delivery or Courier: Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC. The Dockets Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Instructions: All written comments should identify the docket number stated in the heading of this notice.

Docket access: For copies of this notice or other material in the docket, you may contact the Dockets Facility by phone (202-366-9329) or visit the facility at the above street address. For Web access to the docket to read and download filed material, go to <http://dms.dot.gov/search>. Then type in the last four digits of the docket number shown in the heading of this notice, and click on "Search."

Anyone can search the electronic form of all comments filed in any of DOT's dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted for an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the April 11, 2000 issue of the **Federal Register** (65 FR 19477) or go to <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Florence Hamn at (202) 366-3015 or by e-mail to Florence.Hamn@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Standards in 49 CFR 192.16, "Customer notification," require operators of gas service lines who do not maintain buried customer piping between service lines and building walls or gas utilization equipment to send written notices to their customers of the proper maintenance of this piping and of the potential hazards of not properly maintaining the piping. Operators also have to keep records that include a copy of the notice currently in use and evidence that notices were sent to customers within the previous 3 years.

This rule was issued in response to the statutory mandate in 49 U.S.C. 60113.

This information collection supports the DOT strategic goal of safety by reducing the number of fatalities, injuries, and amount of property damage.

Comments are invited on: (a) The need for the proposed collection of information for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques.

As used in this notice, "information collection" includes all work related to preparing and disseminating information related to this recordkeeping requirement including completing paperwork, gathering information and conducting telephone calls.

Type of Information Collection Request: Renewal of Existing Collection.

Title of Information Collection: Customer-owned Service Lines.

OMB Approval Number: 2137-0594.

Frequency: A notice is sent once to each customer at a particular location.

Use: This collection is used by gas customers to learn of the need to maintain their buried piping and by OPS and State authorities to review operator compliance.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,540.

Estimated Annual Burden Hour: 9,167.

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Deputy Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket: RSPA-98-4957]

Request for Public Comments and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Approval of an Existing Information Collection (2137-0593)

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

SUMMARY: This notice seeks comments from the public regarding notices gas service line operators must send customers about the availability of excess flow valves (EFVs) and related records operators must keep. The notices give customers information to help them decide if they would like to have EFVs installed on their lines. Comments will help OMB evaluate the information collection involving EFVs.

DATES: Comments must be received by July 22, 2005, to ensure consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written comments to the docket by any of the following methods:

DOT Web Site: Go to <http://dms.dot.gov>, click on Comments/Submissions and follow instructions at the site.

Mail: Dockets Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. Anyone wanting confirmation of mailed comments must include a self-addressed stamped postcard.

Hand Delivery or Courier: Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC. The Dockets Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Instructions: All written comments should identify the docket number stated in the heading of this notice.

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