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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Research & Innovative Technology Administration

Agency Information Collection; Activity Under OMB Review; Report of Extension of Credit to Political Candidates—Form 183

AGENCY: Research & Innovative Technology Administration (RITA), Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13, the Bureau of Transportation Statistics invites the general public, industry and other governmental parties to comment on the continuing need for and usefulness of BTS collecting reports from air carriers on the aggregated indebtedness balance of a political candidate or party for Federal office. The reports are required when the aggregated indebtedness is over \$5,000 on the last day of a month.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by April 4, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bernie Stankus, Office of Airline Information, RTS-42, Room 4125, RITA, BTS, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001, Telephone Number (202) 366-4387, Fax Number (202) 366-3383 or e-mail bernard.stankus@dot.gov.

Comments: Comments should identify the associated OMB approval #2138-0016 and Docket 23343. Persons wishing the Department to acknowledge receipt of their comments must submit with those comments a self-addressed stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: Comments on OMB #2138-0016, Docket 23343. The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval No.: 2138-0016.

Title: Report of Extension of Credit to Political Candidates—Form 183, 14 CFR Part 374a.

Form No.: 183.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Certificated air carriers.

Number of Respondents: 2 (Monthly Average).

Number of Responses: 24.

Estimated Time per Response: 1 hour.

Total Annual Burden: 24 hours.

Needs and Uses: The Department uses this form as the means to fulfill its obligation under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (the Act). The Act's legislative history indicates that one of its statutory goals is to prevent candidates for Federal political office from incurring large amounts of unsecured debt with regulated transportation companies (e.g. airlines). This information collection allows the Department to monitor and disclose the amount of unsecured credit extended by airlines to candidates for Federal office. All certificated air carriers are required to submit this information.

The Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (44 U.S.C. 3501 note), requires a statistical agency to clearly identify information it collects for non-statistical purposes. BTS hereby notifies the respondents and the public that BTS uses the information it collects under this OMB approval for non-statistical purposes including, but not limited to, publication of both Respondent's identity and its data, submission of the information to agencies outside BTS for review, analysis and possible use in regulatory and other administrative matters.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34772]

R.J. Corman Railroad Company/ Tennessee Terminal, LLC—Lease and Operation Exemption—BNSF Railway Company

R.J. Corman Railroad Company/ Tennessee Terminal, LLC (RJCK), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to lease, from BNSF Railway Company (BNSF), and operate approximately 46.7 miles of rail line known as the Tennessee-Mississippi Terminal Tracks as follows: (1) Tracks referred to as the Olive Branch Metro Industrial Park tracks all in DeSoto County, MS; (2) tracks referred to as the Airport Industrial Park tracks, located in Shelby County, TN; and (3) tracks referred to as the Tennessee Yard tracks, all in Shelby

County, TN: (a) Track No. 0323 from a point west of track No. 0324 to the point it connects with track No. 2058 on the west end of the yard;¹ (b) track Nos. 2062, 2063, 2064, 2065, 0311 and 0312; (c) track No. 1400, the Solae Lead, and all connected BNSF owned industrial tracks north of the yard; (d) track No. 1300, the Perkins Lead, and all connected BNSF owned industrial tracks north of the yard; (e) track Nos. 1365, 1370, 1372 and 1375, the Coors Leads; (f) track Nos. 1318 and 1356, Transload of Tennessee lead track; (g) track No. 1500 from a point east of the Shelby overpass and all Hickory Hill Industrial Park leads owned by BNSF; and (h) track Nos. 0892, 1202, 1204, 1207 and all connected BNSF owned industrial tracks north of main track No. 2. In addition, BNSF is granting incidental trackage rights at its Tennessee Yard to RJCK for the purpose of moving RJCK's trains and equipment on BNSF's tracks as follows: (a) Track No. 0323 from a point west of track No. 0324 to the point it connects with track No. 1500 on the east end of the yard; (b) track No. 1500 from a point east of the Shelby overpass to the point it connects with track No. 0323; (c) track No. 0323 from the point it connects with track No. 2058 to the point track No. 0323 connects with track No. 1008; and (d) track No. 1008 (former Main 2) from the point it connects with track No. 0323 to milepost 493.0.

This transaction is related to STB Finance Docket No. 34775, *Richard J. Corman and R.J. Corman Railroad Group, LLC—Continuance in Control Exemption—R.J. Corman Railroad Company/Tennessee Terminal, LLC*, wherein Richard J. Corman and R.J. Corman Railroad Group, LLC, have concurrently filed a verified notice of exemption to continue in control of RJCK, upon its becoming a Class III rail carrier.

RJCK certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not result in the creation of a Class II or Class I rail carrier, and further certifies that its projected annual revenues will not exceed \$5 million. The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on January 15, 2006.

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.

¹ BNSF is reserving the right to use this track for the sole purpose of moving its trains and equipment.