

**Request for Comments**

All comments received before the close of business on July 9, 2007, will be considered and will be available for examination in the docket at the location listed under the address section of this notice. Comments received after the comment closing date will be filed in the public docket and will be considered to the extent practicable. In addition to late comments, the FMCSA will also continue to file, in the public docket, relevant information that becomes available after the comment closing date. Interested persons should continue to examine the public docket for new material.

Issued on: June 28, 2007,

**John H. Hill,**  
Administrator.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Maritime Administration****Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements; Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review**

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, DOT.

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

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The nature of the information collection is described as well as its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on April 16, 2007. No comments were received.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before August 2, 2007.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jean McKeever, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-5737, FAX: 202-366-5123; or E-Mail: [jean.mckeever@dot.gov](mailto:jean.mckeever@dot.gov). Copies of this collection also can be obtained from that office.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Maritime Administration (MARAD).

*Title:* MARAD Maritime Operator Survey Concerning Mariner Availability.

*OMB Control Number:* 2133-NEW.

*Type of Request:* New collection.

*Affected Public:* Vessel operating companies representing different sectors of the U.S. maritime industry.

*Form(s):* MA-1048.

*Abstract:* Part of the stated statutory policy of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, is to foster the development and maintenance of an adequate U.S.-flag merchant marine manned with trained and efficient citizen personnel. In order to successfully meet this mandate, MARAD must determine whether a current or projected shortage of mariners exists and if there is an operational or business impact on the merchant marine. MARAD believes that a brief preliminary survey is necessary at this time because it has received an abundance of anecdotal information indicating that there is a serious existing and projected mariner shortage in different market sectors. If the preliminary survey indicates that there is a projected shortage that appears to be more than short-term, MARAD will follow-up with a more detailed survey to analyze the shortage and ascertain the best means to address it.

*Annual Estimated Burden Hours:* 33.34 hours (20 minutes per respondent).

*Addressee:* Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention MARAD Desk Officer.

*Comments Are Invited On:* (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary 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 information collection; (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 respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

(Authority: 49 CFR 1.66.)

Issued in Washington, DC on June 25, 2007.

**Daron T. Threet,**

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Surface Transportation Board**

[STB Docket No. AB-297 (Sub-No. 103X)]

**Columbus and Greenville Railway Company—Discontinuance of Service Exemption—in Greenwood, MS**

Columbus and Greenville Railway Company (CAGY) has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments and Discontinuances of Service* to discontinue service over an out-of-service line of railroad between milepost 21.2 in West Point, MS, and milepost 110.7 in Greenwood, MS, a distance of approximately 89.5 miles in Clay, Oktibbeha, Webster, Montgomery, Carroll, and Leflore Counties, MS. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 39773, 39741, 39755, 39750, 39752, 39744, 39767, 39747, 38967, 38943, 38947, and 38930.

CAGY has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) any overhead traffic on the line can be rerouted over other lines; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the line (or by a state or local government entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the line either is pending with the Surface Transportation Board or with any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of complainant within the 2-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication) and 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice to governmental agencies) have been met.

As a condition to this exemption, any employee adversely affected by the discontinuance of service shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line R. Co.—Abandonment—Goshen*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979). To address whether this condition adequately protects affected employees, a petition for partial revocation under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) must be filed.

Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) has been received, this exemption will be effective on August 3, 2007, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues and formal expressions of intent to file an OFA for continued rail service under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2),<sup>1</sup> must be filed by July 13, 2007.<sup>2</sup> Petitions to reopen must

<sup>1</sup> Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which currently is set at \$1,300. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

<sup>2</sup> Because this is a discontinuance proceeding and not an abandonment, trail use/rail banking and public use conditions are not appropriate. Likewise,