Avenida de las Americas, Houston, Texas 77010.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nicanor Davidson, Office of Rulemaking, ARM–207, FAA, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, Telephone (202) 267–5174, FAX (202) 267–5075, or email at *nicanor.davidson@faa.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The referenced meeting is announced pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463; 5 U.S.C. app. III).

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Opening Remarks
- Working Group Status Reports—A
   Discussion and Approval of Damage
   Tolerance and Fatigue Evaluation of
   Composite Rotorcraft Structure
   (proposed advisory circular
   material package)
- FAA Status Report
   Performance and Handling Qualities
   Requirements (Final Rule)

   Fatigue Tolerance Evaluation of
   Metallic Structures (Notice of
   Proposed Rulemaking and guidance
   material)
- Other Business
- Future Meetings
- Adjourn

Attendance is open to the interested public, but will be limited to the availability of meeting room space. For persons participating by telephone, the call-in number is (202) 366–3920; the Passcode is "5551". Anyone participating by telephone will be responsible for paying long-distance charges.

The public must make arrangements by February 15, 2008 to present oral statements at the meeting. Written statements may be presented to the ARAC at any time by providing 25 copies to the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section or by providing copies at the meeting.

If you need assistance or require a reasonable accommodation for the meeting or meeting documents, please contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section. Sign and oral interpretation, as well as a listening device, can be made available if requested 10 calendar days before the meeting.

Issued in Washington, DC on January 18, 2008.

## Pamela Hamilton-Powell,

Director, Office of Rulemaking.
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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **Surface Transportation Board**

[STB Docket No. AB-32 (Sub-No. 102X; STB Docket No. AB-355 (Sub-No. 36X)]

Boston and Maine Corporation— Abandonment Exemption—in Merrimack County, NH; Springfield Terminal Railway Company— Discontinuance of Service Exemption—in Merrimack County, NH

Boston and Maine Corporation (B&M) and Springfield Terminal Railway Company (ST) (collectively, applicants) jointly have filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR part 1152 Subpart F— Exempt Abandonments and Discontinuances of Service for B&M to abandon, and for ST to discontinue service over, approximately 0.96 miles of railroad known as the Concord and Claremont Branch, extending from milepost 0.9 to milepost 1.86 in Concord, Merrimack County, NH. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Code 03301.

B&M and ST have certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) there is no overhead traffic on the line; (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 (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 of 49 CFR 1105.7 (environmental report), 49 CFR 1105.8 (historic report), 49 CFR 1105.11 (transmittal letter), 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication), and 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice to governmental agencies) have been met.

As a condition to these exemptions, any employee adversely affected by the abandonment or discontinuance 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, these exemptions will be effective on February 26, 2008, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues, <sup>1</sup> formal expressions of intent to

file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2),<sup>2</sup> and trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by February 4, 2008. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by February 14, 2008, with: Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423–0001.<sup>3</sup>

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to applicants' representative: Michael Q. Geary, Esq., Boston & Maine Corporation, Iron Horse Park, North Billerica, MA 01862.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemptions are void *ab initio*.

B&M and ST have filed an environmental and historic report which addresses the effects, if any, of the abandonment and discontinuance on the environment and historic resources. SEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by February 1, 2008. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA by writing to ŠEA (Room 1100, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423–0001) or by calling SEA, at (202) 245–0305. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.] Comments on environmental and historic preservation matters must be filed within 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public.

Environmental, historic preservation, public use, or trail use/rail banking conditions will be imposed, where appropriate, in a subsequent decision.

Pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), B&M shall file a notice of consummation with the Board to signify that it has exercised the authority granted and fully abandoned the line. If consummation has not been effected by B&M's filing of a notice of consummation by January 25, 2009, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised

by a party or by the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemptions' effective date. See Exemption of Outof-Service Rail Lines, 5 I.C.C.2d 377 (1989). Any request for a stay should be filed as soon as possible so that the Board may take appropriate action before the exemptions' effective date.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</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>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Without further explanation, applicants state that, prior to the effective date of these exemptions, title to the line will be acquired by third parties. Applicants are advised that they cannot transfer the title until the exemptions become effective or until they obtain appropriate Board authority.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at http://www.stb.dot.gov.

Decided: January 17, 2008.

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

#### Anne K. Quinlan,

Acting Secretary.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **Surface Transportation Board**

[STB Docket No. AB-32 (Sub-No. 101X); STB Docket No. AB-355 (Sub-No. 35X)]

Boston and Maine Corporation— Abandonment Exemption—in Hartford County, CT; Springfield Terminal Railway Company—Discontinuance of Service Exemption—in Hartford County, CT

Boston and Maine Corporation (B&M) and Springfield Terminal Railway Company (ST) (collectively, applicants) jointly have filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR part 1152 Subpart F— Exempt Abandonments and Discontinuances of Service for B&M to abandon, and for ST to discontinue service over, approximately .73 miles of railroad known as the Canal Branch, extending from milepost 24.00 to milepost 24.73 in Hartford County, CT.¹ The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Code 06489.

B&M and ST have certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) there is no overhead traffic on the line; (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 (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 of 49 CFR 1105.7 (environmental report), 49 CFR 1105.8 (historic report), 49 CFR 1105.11 (transmittal letter), 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication), and 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice to governmental agencies) have been met.

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Decided: January 18, 2008.

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

#### Anne K. Quinlan,

Acting Secretary.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

## Office of Foreign Assets Control

# Unblocking of Specially Designated Narcotics Traffickers Pursuant to Executive Order 12978

**AGENCY:** Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC") is publishing the name of six entities whose property and interests in property have been unblocked pursuant to Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995, Blocking Assets and Prohibiting Transactions With Significant Narcotics Traffickers.

DATES: The unblocking and removal from the list of Specially Designated Narcotics Traffickers of the entities identified in this notice whose property and interests in property were blocked pursuant to Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995, is effective on January 17, 2008.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Assistant Director, Compliance Outreach & Implementation, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20220, tel.: 202/622–2420.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# **Electronic and Facsimile Availability**

This document and additional information concerning OFAC are available from OFAC's Web site (http://www.treas.gov/ofac) via

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An amendment was submitted on January 18, 2008, showing the correct mileage as .73 miles (mileposts 24.00 to 24.73) in lieu of mileage of 1.51 miles (mileposts 24.00 to 25.51), as originally filed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemptions' effective date. See Exemption of Outof-Service Rail Lines, 5 I.C.C.2d 377 (1989). Any request for a stay should be filed as soon as possible so that the Board may take appropriate action before the exemptions' effective date.

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