

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Aviation Administration****[Summary Notice No. PE-2011-35]****Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received****AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.**ACTION:** Notice of petition for exemption received.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of 14 CFR. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before August 29, 2011.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments identified by Docket Number *FAA-2011-0626* using any of the following methods:

- *Government-wide rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.
- *Mail:* Send comments to the Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- *Fax:* Fax comments to the Docket Management Facility at 202-493-2251.
- *Hand Delivery:* Bring comments to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Privacy: We will post all comments we receive, without change, to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information you provide. Using the search function of our docket web site, anyone can find and read the comments received into any of our dockets, including the name of the individual sending the comment (or signing the comment for an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78).

Docket: To read background documents or comments received, go to

<http://www.regulations.gov> at any time or to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Frances Shaver, ARM-200, (202) 267-4059, FAA, Office of Rulemaking, 800 Independence Ave SW., Washington, DC 20591. This notice is published pursuant to 14 CFR 11.85.

Issued in Washington, DC, on August 2, 2011.

Dennis R. Pratte*Acting Director, Office of Rulemaking.***Petition For Exemption***Docket No.:* FAA-2011-0626.*Petitioner:* Joseph A. Jennings.*Section of 14 CFR Affected:*

§ 21.197(a)(1).

Description of Relief Sought: The petitioner requests relief from § 21.197(a)(1) to enable the petitioner, as a Designated Airworthiness Representative, to issue functional check flight permits.

[FR Doc. 2011-20009 Filed 8-8-11; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4910-13-P**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Highway Administration****Environmental Impact Statement: Mendocino County, CA****AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.**ACTION:** Rescind Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: The FHWA, on behalf of the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is issuing this notice to advise the public that the Notice of Intent (NOI) published on September 5, 2002 **Federal Register**, (*Federal Register*/Vol. 67, No. 172/Thursday, September 5, 2002/Notices (56872) to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a proposed highway project on State Route 101 in Mendocino County is being rescinded.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandra E. Rosas, Chief, Office of Environmental Management, Caltrans, 703 B Street, Marysville, CA 95901 or call (530) 741-4017.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Effective July 1, 2007, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) assigned, and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) assumed, environmental responsibilities for this

project pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327. Caltrans, as the delegated National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) agency, is rescinding the NOI to prepare an EIS for the Hopland Bypass Project in Mendocino County, California. The 8.8 mile project proposed to construct a four-lane freeway or expressway on State Route 101 in southern Mendocino County and bypass the community of Hopland. Since the NOI to prepare an EIS was published in the **Federal Register** on September 5, 2002, Caltrans conducted public involvement and agency coordination, developed a purpose and need for the project, and studied seven preliminary alternatives. The NOI is being rescinded due to a lack of funds being identified in this program type. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action should be directed to Caltrans at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

Issued on: August 3, 2011.

Cesar E. Perez,*Senior Transportation Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, Sacramento, California.*

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BILLING CODE 4910-22-P**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration****Sunshine Act Meetings; Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors****AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.**TIME AND DATE:** August 11, 2011, 12 noon to 3 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time.

PLACE: This meeting will take place telephonically. Any interested person may call 877.820.7831, passcode, 908048 to participate in this meeting.

STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors (the Board) will continue its work in developing and implementing the Unified Carrier Registration Plan and Agreement and to that end, may consider matters properly before the Board.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Avelino Gutierrez, Chair, Unified Carrier Registration Board of Directors at (505) 827-4565.

Issued on: August 4, 2011.

Larry W. Minor,

Associate Administrator for Policy and Program Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2011-0055]

Notification of Petition for Approval; Product Safety Plan

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that by a document dated May 23, 2011, the Marquette Rail, LLC (Marquette) has petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) approval of a Product Safety Plan (PSP) submitted pursuant to 49 CFR part 236, subpart H. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2011-0055.

Marquette submitted a petition for approval of a PSP for the Railsoft TrackAccess System. The TrackAccess System is a processor-based dispatch system developed to be operated in the autonomous mode (without dispatcher intervention) for low density lines. The system provides a processor-based methodology of requesting and issuing track authority to either qualified train crewmembers or roadway workers, and to do so while significantly improving safety of train operations, roadway workers, and other railway equipment, while also increasing railroad productivity. Marquette asserts the PSP demonstrates that the TrackAccess System has been designed in a highly safe manner, and has been sufficiently tested to verify that fact. The PSP provides descriptions of the TrackAccess System itself.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at <http://www.regulations.gov> and in person at the Department of Transportation's Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they

should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Web site:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax:* 202-493-2251.
- *Mail:* Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- *Hand Delivery:* 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Communications received by September 8, 2011 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications and 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 online at <http://www.dot.gov/privacy.html>.

Issued in Washington, DC on August 2, 2011.

Robert C. Lauby,

Deputy Associate Administrator for Regulatory & Legislative Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. AB 1073X]

Alabama & Florida Railway Co., Inc.—Abandonment Exemption—in Geneva, Coffee, and Covington Counties, Ala.

Alabama & Florida Railway Co., Inc. (A&F) has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR pt. 1152 subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments* to abandon its line of railroad between milepost 581.3 at Andalusia, Ala., and milepost 624.2 at Geneva, Ala., a distance of 42.9 miles, in Geneva, Coffee and Covington Counties, Ala. The line constitutes A&F's entire rail system and

traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 36340, 36420, 36421, 36453, 36467, and 36477.

A&F has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years;¹ (2) there is no overhead traffic on the line that has been, or would need to be, rerouted as a result of the proposed abandonment; (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 at 49 CFR 1105.7(c) (environmental 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.

Where, as here, the carrier is abandoning a line that constitutes its entire rail system, the Board does not normally impose labor protection under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), unless the evidence indicates the existence of: (1) A corporate affiliate that will continue substantially similar rail operations; or (2) a corporate parent that will realize substantial financial benefits over and above relief from the burden of deficit operations by its subsidiary railroad. *See Honey Creek R.R.—Aban. Exemption—in Henry Cnty., Ind.*, AB 865X (STB served Aug. 20, 2004); *Wellsville, Addison & Galeton R.R.—Aban. of Entire Line in Potter & Tioga Cntys., Pa.*, 354 I.C.C. 744 (1978); and *Northampton & Bath R.R.—Aban. Near Northampton & Bath Junction in Northampton Cnty, Pa.*, 354 I.C.C. 784 (1978). Because A&F does not appear to have a corporate affiliate or parent that will continue similar operations or that could benefit from the proposed abandonment, employee protection conditions will not be imposed.

Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) has been received, this exemption will be effective on September 8, 2011, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental

¹ A&F states that during the past 2 years, there has been no local common carrier service provided over the line nor have there been any requests for common carrier service during that period, but portions of the line have been used for purposes of freight car storage. A&F asserts that movement of its empty rail cars for storage does not disqualify A&F from the use of the notice of exemption process to obtain abandonment authority for the line. *See Ind. Sw. Ry.—Aban. Exemption—in Posey and Vanderburgh Cntys., Ind.*, AB 1065X, slip op. at 1 n. 1 (STB served Dec. 23, 2010).