

with this collection have been identified.

**Needs and Uses:** The Board is, by statute, responsible for the economic regulation of freight rail carriers and certain other carriers operating in interstate commerce. This form is used by persons doing business before the Board who wish to open an account with the Board to facilitate their payment of filing fees; fees for the search, review, copying, and certification of records; and fees for other services rendered by the Board. An account holder is billed on a monthly basis for payment of accumulated fees. Data provided is also used for debt collection activities. The application form requests information as required by OMB and U.S. Department of Treasury regulations for the collection of fees. This information is not duplicated by any other agency. In accordance with the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. 552a, all taxpayer identification and social security numbers are secured and used only for credit management and debt collection activities.

**Retention Period:** The STB retains this information until respondent asks to close account and outstanding debts, if any, are paid in full.

**DATES:** Written comments are due on March 30, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all comments to Marilyn Levitt, Surface Transportation Board, Suite 1260, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001, or to [levittm@stb.dot.gov](mailto:levittm@stb.dot.gov). When submitting comments, please refer to "Paperwork Reduction Act Comments, Application to Open an Account for Billing Purposes, OMB Number 2140-0006."

**For Further Information or To Obtain a Copy of the STB Form, Contact:** Marcin Skomial, (202) 245-0346. [Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) for the hearing impaired: (800) 877-8339.]

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA, a Federal agency conducting or sponsoring a collection of information must display a currently valid OMB control number. A collection of information, which is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c), includes agency requirements that persons submit reports, keep records, or provide information to the agency, third parties, or the public. Under 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, Federal agencies are required, prior to submitting a collection to OMB for approval, to provide a 60-day notice and comment period through publication in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information,

including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information.

Dated: January 23, 2015.

**Raina S. White,**  
*Clearance Clerk.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. FD 35898]

#### **R. J. Corman Railroad Group, LLC, and R. J. Corman Railroad Company, LLC—Continuance in Control Exemption—R. J. Corman Railroad Company/Carolina Lines, LLC**

R. J. Corman Railroad Group, LLC (RJC-Group) and R. J. Corman Railroad Company, LLC (RJCRC) (collectively, Applicants) have filed a verified notice of exemption pursuant to 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2) to continue in control of R. J. Corman Railroad Company/Carolina Lines, LLC (RJC-Carolina), a noncarrier, upon RJC-Carolina's becoming a Class III rail carrier.

This transaction is related to a concurrently filed verified notice of exemption in *R. J. Corman Railroad/Carolina Lines—Acquisition & Operation Exemption—Baltimore & Annapolis Railroad*, Docket No. FD 35897, in which RJC-Carolina seeks Board approval under 49 CFR 1150.31 to acquire and operate two interconnected rail lines totaling approximately 74.9 miles in North Carolina and South Carolina (the Line). RJC-Carolina also seeks to acquire one mile of incidental, local trackage rights at or near Whiteville, N.C.

Applicants state that they intend to consummate the proposed transaction on or about February 11, 2015, the effective date of the exemption (30 days after the verified notice was filed).

Applicants represent that: (1) RJC-Carolina will not connect with any other railroad directly or indirectly controlled by Applicants; (2) the transaction is not part of a series of anticipated transactions that would result in such a connections; and (3) the transaction does not involve a Class I rail carrier. Therefore, the transaction is exempt from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323. See 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2).

Under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), the Board may not use its exemption authority to relieve a rail carrier of its statutory obligation to protect the interests of its employees. Section 11326(c), however, does not provide for labor protection for

transactions under 11324 and 11325 that involve only Class III rail carriers. Accordingly, the Board may not impose labor protective conditions here because all of the carriers involved are Class III carriers.

If the verified 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 effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions to stay must be filed no later than February 4, 2015 (at least seven days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 35898, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Robert A. Wimbish, Fletcher & Sippel LLC, 29 North Wacker Drive, Suite 920, Chicago, IL 60606-2832.

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

Decided: January 23, 2015.

By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell,  
Director, Office of Proceedings.

**Raina S. White,**  
*Clearance Clerk.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Bureau Of Transportation Statistics

[Docket ID Number DOT-OST-2014-0031]

#### **Agency Information Collection: Activity Under OMB Review: Report of Financial and Operating Statistics for Large Certificated Air Carriers**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology (OST-R), Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below is being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for an extension of a currently approved collection. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following

collection of information was published on November 19, 2014 (79 FR 68953). The Bureau of Economic Analysis at the Department of Commerce submitted comments in support of the continuation of the data collection.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted by February 27, 2015.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeff Gorham, Office of Airline Information, RTS-42, Room E34-414, OST-R, BTS, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001, Telephone Number (202) 366-4406, Fax Number (202) 366-3383 or EMAIL [jeff.gorham@dot.gov](mailto:jeff.gorham@dot.gov).

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

OMB Approval No. 2138-0013

*Title:* Report of Financial and Operating Statistics for Large Certificated Air Carriers.

*Form No.:* BTS Form 41.

*Type Of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Large certificated air carriers.

*Number of Respondents:* 63.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 4 hours per schedule, an average carrier may submit 90 schedules in one year.

*Total Annual Burden:* 22,680 hours.

*Needs and Uses:* Program uses for Form 41 data are as follows:

**Mail Rates**

The Department of Transportation sets and updates mainline Alaska mail rates based on carrier aircraft operating expense, traffic and operational data. Form 41 cost data, especially fuel costs, terminal expenses, and line haul expenses are used in arriving at rate levels. DOT revises the established rates based on the percentage of unit cost changes in the carriers' operations. These updating procedures have resulted in the carriers receiving rates of compensation that more closely parallel their costs of providing mail service and contribute to the carriers' ability to continue providing service.

**Submission of U.S. Carrier Data to ICAO**

As a party to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, the United States is obligated to provide the International Civil Aviation Organization with financial and statistical data on operations of U.S. air carriers. Over 99 percent of the data filed with ICAO is extracted from the carriers' Form 41 reports.

**Carrier Fitness**

Fitness determinations are made for both new entrants and established U.S. carriers proposing a substantial change in operations. A portion of these applications consists of an operating plan for the first year (14 CFR part 204) and an associated projection of revenues and expenses. The carrier's operating costs, included in these projections, are compared against the cost data in Form 41 for a carrier or carriers with the same aircraft type and similar operating characteristics. Such a review validates the reasonableness of the carrier's operating plan.

Form 41 reports, particularly balance sheet reports and cash flow statements, play a major role in the identification of vulnerable carriers. Data comparisons are made between current and past periods in order to assess the current financial position of the carrier. Financial trend lines are extended into the future to analyze the continued viability of the carrier. DOT reviews three areas of a carrier's operation: (1) The qualifications of its management team, (2) its disposition to comply with laws and regulations, and (3) its financial posture. DOT must determine whether or not a carrier has sufficient financial resources to conduct its operations without imposing undue risk on the traveling public. Moreover, once a carrier is operating, DOT is required to monitor its continuing fitness.

Senior DOT officials must be kept fully informed as to all current and developing economic issues affecting the airline industry. In preparing financial conditions reports or status reports on a particular airline, financial and traffic data are analyzed. Briefing papers may use the same information.

**Pending Rulemaking**

On July 15, 2011, the Department published a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) proposing to collect certain Form 41 revenue information on airline-imposed fees in a more detailed manner (see 76 FR 41726). Many air carriers have adopted *a la carte* pricing with separate fees for certain optional services that use to be included in the ticket price. Carriers currently report excess baggage fees, reservation cancellation fees and miscellaneous operating revenues. The proposed rule would require carriers to report, (1) itinerary related fees, (2) seating assignment fees, (3) baggage fees broken down between first and second checked bags, carry-on bags and other bags, (4) unaccompanied minor/passenger assistance fees, and (5) other fees. The Department wants to make

airline pricing more transparent to consumers and airline analysts.

**Administrative Issues**

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.

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 22, 2015.

**William Chadwick Jr.,**

*Director of the Office of Airline Information, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**Proposed Collections; Comment Requests**

**AGENCY:** Departmental Offices, Treasury.

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the revision of an information collection that is proposed for approval by the Office of Management and Budget. The Office of International Affairs within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning Treasury International Capital Form D, Report of Holdings of, and Transactions in, Financial Derivatives Contracts with Foreign Residents.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before March 30, 2015 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Dwight Wolkow, International Portfolio Investment Data Systems, Department of the Treasury, Room 5422, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington DC 20220. In view of possible delays in mail delivery, please also notify Mr. Wolkow by email ([comments2TIC@treasury.gov](mailto:comments2TIC@treasury.gov)), FAX