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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Executive Order (E.O.) 13337 delegates to the Secretary of State the President's authority to receive applications for permits for the construction, connection, operation, or maintenance of facilities for the exportation or importation of petroleum, petroleum products, coal, or other fuels (except for natural gas), at the borders of the United States, and to issue or deny such Presidential permits upon a national interest determination.

On August 12, 2016, Borrego submitted an application for a new Presidential permit that would authorize the construction, connection, operation, and maintenance of facilities at the U.S.-Mexico border for the export to Mexico of refined petroleum products (including gasoline, premium gasoline, ultra-low sulfur diesel, and jet fuel). The petroleum products would be transported through the new pipeline between a new terminal in Laredo, Texas, and the existing Nuevo Laredo Terminal in Tamaulipas, Mexico.

The Department prepared the Final EA consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. Section 4321, *et seq.*), the regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) (40 CFR parts 1500–1508), and the Department's implementing regulations (22 CFR part 161). The Draft EA and Preliminary FONSI were available for a 30-day public review that ended on November 17, 2017. The Department has determined the proposed action would not result in significant impacts on the environment and therefore the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. The FONSI is not a decision on the Presidential permit application. In accordance with E.O. 13337, the Secretary of State or his delegate will make a determination as to whether issuance of a Presidential permit for Borrego Crossing Pipeline, LLC (Borrego), a subsidiary of Howard Midstream Energy Partners, LLC, proposed cross-border pipeline facilities project would serve the national interest.

Robert Wing,

Acting Director, Office of Environmental Quality and Transboundary Issues, Department of State.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. FD 36163]

**Elkhart & Western Railroad Co.—
Acquisition and Operation
Exemption—Line of CSX
Transportation, Inc. Between Monon
and Monticello, in White County, Ind.**

Elkhart & Western Railroad Co. (EWR), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to acquire and operate 9.58 miles of rail line owned by CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT) between Monon, Ind., (Milepost 0QA–88.42) and Monticello, Ind., (Milepost 0QA–98.00) in White County, Ind. (the Line).

EWR states that it has reached agreement in principle with CSXT, the current owner and operator of the Line, providing for EWR to acquire, operate, maintain, and perform all common carrier service on the Line. EWR states that it will interchange with CSXT at Monon, Ind. EWR also states that the proposed acquisition and operation of the Line does not involve a provision or agreement that would limit future interchange with a third-party connecting carrier.

EWR certifies that the proposed transaction will not result in EWR becoming a Class II or Class I rail carrier and that the projected annual revenue of EWR will not exceed \$5 million.

The transaction may be consummated on or after January 27, 2018, the effective date of the exemption (30 days after the verified notice was filed).

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 for stay must be filed no later than January 19, 2018 (at least seven days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. 36163, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423–0001. In addition, one copy of each pleading must be served on Daniel A. LaKemper, Elkhart & Western Railroad Co., 1318 S. Johanson Road, Peoria, IL 61607.

According to EWR, this action is categorically excluded from environmental review under 49 CFR 1105.6(c) and from historic reporting requirements under 49 CFR 105.8(b).

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Decided: January 8, 2018.

By the Board, Scott M. Zimmerman, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

Rena Laws-Byrum,
Clearance Clerk.

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**SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BASIN
COMMISSION**

**Actions Taken at December 8, 2017,
Meeting**

AGENCY: Susquehanna River Basin Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As part of its regular business meeting held on December 8, 2017, in Annapolis, Maryland, the Commission took the following actions: (1) Approved or tabled the applications of certain water resources projects; and (2) took additional actions, as set forth in the Supplementary Information below.

DATES: December 8, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Susquehanna River Basin Commission, 4423 N. Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110–1788.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jason E. Oyler, General Counsel, telephone: 717–238–0423, ext. 1312; fax: 717–238–2436; joyler@srbc.net. Regular mail inquiries may be sent to the above address. See also Commission website at www.srbc.net.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In addition to the actions taken on projects identified in the summary above and the listings below, the following items were also presented or acted upon at the business meeting: (1) Adoption of a resolution urging President Trump and the United State Congress to provide full funding for the national Groundwater and Streamflow Information Program, thereby supporting the Susquehanna Flood Forecast & Warning System; (2) adoption of amended Commission's By-laws and Procedures to reflect revisions to officers' duties, clarification of budget and financial procedures, and other changes in accordance with the Susquehanna River Basin Compact; (3) approval of a grant amendment and acceptance of a contribution; (4) adoption of final rules, subject to final member jurisdiction review, pertaining to the amendment of Commission regulations to codify and strengthen the Commission's Access to Records Policy.

Project Applications Approved

The Commission approved the following project applications:

1. Project Sponsor and Facility: Beech Creek Borough Authority, Beech Creek