

As a condition to this exemption, any employee adversely affected by the abandonment shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line Railroad—Abandonment Portion Goshen Branch Between Firth & Ammon, in Bingham & Bonneville Counties, Idaho*, 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)<sup>2</sup> has been received, this exemption will be effective on May 9, 2018, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues,<sup>3</sup> formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2),<sup>4</sup> and interim trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by April 19, 2018. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by April 30, 2018, with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423-0001.

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to UP's representative: Jeremy M. Berman, 1400 Douglas St., #1580, Omaha, NE 68179.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio.

UP has filed a combined environmental and historic report that addresses the effects, if any, of the abandonment on the environment and historic resources. OEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by April 13, 2018. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA by writing to OEA (Room 1100, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423-0001) or by calling OEA at (202) 245-0305.

<sup>2</sup> The Board modified its OFA procedures effective July 29, 2017. Among other things, the OFA process now requires potential offerors, in their formal expression of intent, to make a preliminary financial responsibility showing based on a calculation using information contained in the carrier's filing and publicly available information. See *Offers of Financial Assistance*, EP 729 (STB served June 29, 2017); 82 FR 30,997 (July 5, 2017).

<sup>3</sup> The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption's effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Serv. 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 exemption's effective date.

<sup>4</sup> Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which is currently set at \$1,800. See *Regulations Governing Fees for Servs. Performed in Connection with Licensing & Related Servs.—2017 Update*, EP 542 (Sub-No. 25), slip op. App. C at 20 (STB served July 28, 2017).

Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service at (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 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), UP 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 UP's filing of a notice of consummation by April 9, 2019, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

Board decisions and notices are available on our website at [WWW.STB.GOV](http://WWW.STB.GOV).

Decided: April 4, 2018.

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

**Marline Simeon,**  
*Clearance Clerk.*

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## **SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

**[Docket No. AB 33 (Sub-No. 335X)]**

### **Union Pacific Railroad Company— Discontinuance of Service Exemption—in McLennan County, Tex.**

Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR pt. 1152 subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments and Discontinuance of Service* to discontinue service over approximately 1.3 miles of the former Mart Line near Waco, Tex., between milepost 173.7 and milepost 175.0 near Chapel Hill Road, in McLennan County, Tex. (the Line). The Line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Code 76705.<sup>1</sup>

UP has certified that: (1) No local or overhead traffic has moved over the Line for at least two years; (2) there is no need to reroute any traffic 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

<sup>1</sup> UP filed this notice simultaneously with a verified notice of exemption to abandon a 0.5-mile portion of rail line that connects with the Line at milepost 173.7. That notice is being considered in a separate docket. See *Union Pac. R.R.—Aban. Exemption—in McLennan Cty., Tex.*, AB 33 (Sub-No. 334X) (STB served April 9, 2018).

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 two-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.7(c) (environmental report), 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 Railroad—Abandonment Portion Goshen Branch Between Firth & Ammon, in Bingham & Bonneville Counties, Idaho*, 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)<sup>2</sup> to subsidize continued rail service has been received, this exemption will be effective on May 9, 2018, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues and formal expressions of intent to file an OFA to subsidize continued rail service under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2)<sup>3</sup> must be filed by April 19, 2018.<sup>4</sup> Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by April 30, 2018, with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423-0001.

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<sup>4</sup> Because this is a discontinuance proceeding and not an abandonment, trail use/rail banking and public use conditions are not appropriate. Because there will be an environmental review during abandonment, this discontinuance does not require environmental review.

Decided: April 4, 2018.

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

**Marline Simeon,**

*Clearance Clerk.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-2018-26]

#### 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 Federal Aviation Regulations. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of the 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 involved and must be received on or before April 23, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments identified by docket number FAA-2018-0283 using any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically.

- *Mail:* Send comments to Docket Operations, M-30; U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W12-140, West Building Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* Take comments to Docket Operations 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.

- *Fax:* Fax comments to Docket Operations at 202-493-2251.

*Privacy:* In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to <http://www.regulations.gov>, as described in the system of records

notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <http://www.dot.gov/privacy>.

*Docket:* Background documents or comments received may be read at <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time. Follow the online instructions for accessing the docket or go to the Docket Operations 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:

Mark Forseth, AIR-673, Federal Aviation Administration, 2200 S. 216th St., Des Moines, WA 98198-6547, email [mark.forseth@faa.gov](mailto:mark.forseth@faa.gov), phone (206) 231-3179; or Alphonso Pendergrass, ARM-200, Office of Rulemaking, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591, email [alphonso.pendergrass@faa.gov](mailto:alphonso.pendergrass@faa.gov), phone (202) 267-4713.

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Issued in Renton, Washington, on April 3, 2018.

**Victor Wicklund,**

*Manager, Transport Standards Branch.*

#### Petition for Exemption

*Docket No.:* FAA-2018-0283.

*Petitioner:* Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation.

*Section of 14 CFR Affected:*

§ 25.1309(b); and Special Conditions Nos. 25-612-SC, 25-661-SC, 25-662-SC, 25-664-SC, 25-665-SC, and 25-667-SC.

*Description of Relief Sought:* Permit 18 months for additional compliance testing of non-rechargeable lithium-ion batteries for emergency-locator transmitters on Gulfstream Model GV-SP, GVI, GVII, G150, G280, and G200 airplanes.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No: FAA-2005-22842]

#### Notice of Opportunity: Criteria and Application Procedures for the Military Airport Program (MAP).

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of criteria and application procedures.

**SUMMARY:** This document announces the criteria, application procedures, and

schedule to be applied by the Secretary of Transportation to designate a maximum of 15 joint-use or former military airports to participate in the MAP for the purposes of capital development funding assistance.

**DATES:** Applications must be received no later than June 8, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit an original signed Standard Form (SF) 424, "Application for Federal Assistance" (available at: <https://www.faa.gov/airports/resources/forms/?sect=aip,payments>) along with all supporting documentation. Airport sponsor applicants must specifically request consideration to participate in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 MAP. Submission(s) should be sent to the appropriate FAA Regional Airports Division or Airports District Office that serves the airport (sponsor). Applicants can find their local office on the FAA website at: [http://www.faa.gov/airports/news\\_information/contact\\_info/regional/](http://www.faa.gov/airports/news_information/contact_info/regional/) or may contact the office listed under the section "For Further Information."

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Jonathan DiMartino ([jonathan.dimartino@faa.gov](mailto:jonathan.dimartino@faa.gov)), Airports Financial Assistance Division, Office of Airport Planning and Programming, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591, (202) 267-8744.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### General Description of the Program

Under 49 U.S.C. 47118, the MAP provides capital development assistance to civilian airport sponsors of designated joint-use military airfields or former military airports that are included in the FAA's National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS). Airport sponsors designated to the MAP may receive set-aside grant funds from the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) (4 percent of discretionary funds) for airport development that will assist the airport sponsor in successfully transitioning the airport from military to civilian use. The MAP is described in detail in FAA Order 5100.38D, Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Handbook.

##### Number of Airports

As set forth by 49 U.S.C. 47118, a maximum of 15 airports may participate in the MAP at any time. Three of the 15 may be general aviation (GA) airports; the remainder must be commercial service or reliever airports. In FY 2018, there are 12 slots available in the program; however, there are no openings available for GA airports.