

Regulation section	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Average burden per response (minutes)	Estimated total annual burden (hours)
20 CFR 422.905 .....	75	1	15	19
20 CFR 422.906 .....	75	1	20	25
Totals .....	150	.....	.....	44

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice 10625]

**30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Request To Change End User, End Use and/or Destination of Hardware**

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comment and submission to OMB of proposed collection of information.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this Notice is to allow 30 days for public comment.

**DATES:** Submit comments directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) up to January 25, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct comments to the Department of State Desk Officer in the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). You may submit comments by the following methods:

- *Email:* [oira\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oira_submission@omb.eop.gov). You must include the DS form number, information collection title, and the OMB control number in the subject line of your message.
- *Fax:* 202-395-5806. Attention: Desk Officer for Department of State.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to Andrea Battista, who may be reached on 202-663-3136 or at [battistaal@state.gov](mailto:battistaal@state.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

- *Title of Information Collection:* Request to Change End User, End Use and/or Destination of Hardware.
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0173.
- *Type of Request:* Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.
- *Originating Office:* Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC).
- *Form Number:* DS-6004.
- *Respondents:* Business or Nonprofit Organizations.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 500.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 500.
- *Average Time per Response:* 1 hour.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 500 hours.
- *Frequency:* On occasion.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Voluntary.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

**Abstract of Proposed Collection**

The Request to Change End-User, End-Use and/or Destination of Hardware information collection is used to request DDTC approval prior to any sale, transfer, transshipment, or disposal, whether permanent or temporary, of classified or unclassified defense articles to any end-user, end-use or destination other than as stated on a license or other approval.

**Methodology**

Currently, there is no option of electronic submission of this information. Submissions are made via hardcopy documentation. Applicants are referred to ITAR § 123.9 for guidance on information to submit regarding the request to change end-user, end-use and/or destination of hardware. Upon implementation of DDTC's new case management system, The Defense Export Control and Compliance System (DECCS), a DS-6004 may be submitted electronically.

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**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

[Docket No. AB 55 (Sub-No. 786X)]

**CSX Transportation, Inc.— Abandonment Exemption—in Alachua County, Fla.**

CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT) has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR pt. 1152 subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments* to abandon an approximately 0.23-mile rail line on its Deerhaven Subdivision, Jacksonville Division, between milepost ARB 738.42 and milepost ARB 738.65, the end of the line, in Alachua County, Fla. (the Line). The Line traverses U.S. Postal Service Zip Code 32609.

CSXT has certified that: (1) No local freight traffic has moved over the Line for two years; (2) any overhead traffic on the Line can be rerouted over other lines; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the Line (or a state or local government entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the Line is either pending with the Surface Transportation Board or any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of a complainant within the two-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.7 (service of environmental and historic 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 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) has been received,<sup>1</sup> this exemption will be effective on January 25, 2019, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues,<sup>2</sup> formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2),<sup>3</sup> and interim trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by January 7, 2019. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by January 15, 2019, with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423–0001.

A copy of any petition filed with Board should be sent to CSXT's representative, Louis E. Gitomer, Law Offices of Louis E. Gitomer, LLC, 600 Baltimore Avenue, Suite 301, Towson, MD 21204.

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

CSXT 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 December 31, 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. 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 the provisions of 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), CSXT 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 CSXT's filing of a notice of consummation by December 26, 2019, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

Board decisions and notices are available at [www.stb.gov](http://www.stb.gov).

Decided: December 18, 2018.

By the Board, Allison C. Davis, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

**Jeffrey Herzig,**  
Clearance Clerk.

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## **SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

**[Docket No. FD 36251]**

### **Progressive Rail Incorporated—Lease Exemption With Interchange Commitment—Soo Line Railroad Company and Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad Corporation**

Progressive Rail Incorporated (PGR), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to (1) renew its lease from Soo Line Railroad Company (Soo Line) of two lines of railroad between Northfield, Minn., and Lakeville, Minn. (Lakeville Line), and between Rosemount, Minn., and Eagan, Minn. (Eagandale Line); and (2) lease from Soo Line and Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad Corporation (DM&E)<sup>1</sup> a line of railroad between Faribault, Minn., and Northfield, Minn. (Faribault Line).

The Lakeville Line extends approximately 21 miles from UP milepost 309.69 at Northfield through UP milepost 313.77 (CP milepost 52.90) to CP milepost 35.25 at Lakeville. The

Lakeville Line also includes the 0.1-mile segment of track known as the Cannon Falls Branch between CP milepost 0.00 and CP milepost 0.10 at Northfield. The Eagandale Line extends approximately 12 miles from UP milepost 332.05 at Rosemount through UP milepost 333.85 (CP milepost 150.80) to CP milepost 160.70 at Eagan. The Faribault Line extends for approximately nine miles between UP milepost 300.50<sup>2</sup> at Faribault and UP milepost 309.69 at Northfield. According to PGR, DM&E owns the Faribault Line from Comus to Faribault, and Soo Line owns the Faribault Line from Comus to Northfield. PGR states that the Lakeville, Eagandale, and Faribault Lines (collectively, the Lines) total approximately 42 miles.

PGR states that it has entered into a new lease agreement with Soo Line and DM&E that renews PGR's lease of the Lakeville and Eagandale Lines for an additional 15 years and allows PGR to lease and operate the Faribault Line for a term of 15 years.

PGR states that it currently operates the Lakeville and Eagandale Lines pursuant to *Progressive Rail Inc.—Lease & Operation Exemption—Soo Line Railroad*, FD 34496 (STB served May 19, 2004) and the Faribault Line pursuant to *Progressive Rail Inc.—Acquisition & Operation Exemption—Rail Lines of Union Pacific Railroad*, FD 34476 (STB served Apr. 7, 2004). PGR states that it will continue to operate the Lines under the new lease agreement.

According to PGR, the new lease agreement includes an interchange commitment. As required under 49 CFR 1150.43(h)(1), PGR provided additional information regarding the interchange commitment.

PGR certifies that its projected revenues resulting from this transaction will not result in the creation of a Class I or Class II rail carrier, but states that its projected annual revenues will exceed \$5 million following the transaction. Accordingly, PGR is required by Board regulations to send notice of the transaction to the national offices of the labor unions with employees on the affected lines, to post a copy of the notice at the workplace of the employees on the affected lines, and to certify to the Board that it has done so, at least 60 days before the exemption is to become effective. 49 CFR 1150.42(e). PGR filed its certification on November 15, 2018.

Concurrently with its verified notice, however, PGR filed a petition for partial

<sup>1</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>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 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>3</sup> Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which currently is set at \$1,800. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

<sup>1</sup> Soo Line and DM&E are affiliated railroads under common control of Canadian Pacific Railway Company (CP). *Canadian Pac. Ry.—Control—Dakota, Minn. & E. R.R.*, FD 35081 (STB served Sept. 30, 2008).

<sup>2</sup> In its notice of exemption, the map at Exhibit A–1 referred to UP milepost 300.35. On December 19, 2018, PGR filed a supplement noting that the map should have referred to UP milepost 300.50.