

REPORTING BURDEN

Emergency order item No.	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours
(1) RR Plans identifying specific locations and circumstances of trains carrying hazardous materials.	655 railroads	491 plans	40 hours	19,640 hours
—Revised Plans	655 railroads	50 revised plans	10 hours	500
—Notifications to FRA by RR of Plan Development Prior to Its Operation Pursuant to Plan.	655 railroads	50 notifications	30 minutes	25
(2)(a)—RR Development of Process for Securing Unattended Trains or Vehicles.	655 railroads	491 processes	60 minutes	491
(b)—RR Employees communication to dispatchers of information regarding securement of train.	100,000 Employees	2,600 exchanges/communications.	5 minutes	217
(c)—Dispatcher's Record of Information Exchanged or Communicated.	655 railroads	2,600 records	2 minutes	87
(d)—Train Dispatcher or Other Qualified Employee Verification and Confirmation of Train Securement Meeting RR's Requirements.	655 railroads	2,600 verifications and confirmations.	2 minutes	87
(3) RR Review and Revision of Existing Procedures and Processed Related to the number of Hand Brakes Set on All Unattended Trains.	655 railroads	491 revised procedures and processes.	6 hours	2,946
(4) RR Revision of Operating Rules and Practices to Require Job Briefing of Train Securement.	655 railroads	491 revised operating rules and practices.	2 hours	982
—Daily Job Briefings	100,000 RR Employees ..	23,400,000 briefings	5 minutes	1,950,000
(5) Development of RR Procedure to Ensure a Qualified Employee Inspects All Equipment Visited by Emergency Responder for Proper Securement Before Train or Vehicle is Left Unattended.	655 railroads	491 Procedures	60 minutes	491
—Inspections of Equipment	655 railroads	1,000 inspections	4 hours	4,000
(6) RR Employees Copy of FRA EO 28	100,000 RR Employees ..	100,000 copies	1 minute	1,667

Form Number(s): N/A

Respondent Universe: 655 Railroads; 100,000 Railroad Employees

Frequency of Submission: One-time; on occasion

Total Responses: 23,511,355

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 1,981,133 hours

Status: Emergency Review

Description: FRA has determined that public safety compelled the issuance of Emergency Order No. 28, which requires railroads operating on the general system of transportation to implement additional processes and procedures to ensure that unattended trains and vehicles on mainline track or sidings are properly secured against unintended movement. Emergency Order No. 28 was published in the **Federal Register** on August 7, 2013, in response to the catastrophic accident that occurred in Lac-Mégantic, Quebec, Canada, on July 6, 2013. See 78 FR 48218. Emergency Order No. 28 is intended to address some of the human factors failures that may cause unattended equipment to be improperly secured in order to protect the general public and communities near the general system of rail transportation and railroad equipment that is used on it against derailment situations similar to that which occurred at Lac-Mégantic.

Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 3507(a) and 5 CFR 320.5(b), 1320.8(b)(3)(vi), FRA informs all interested parties that it may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520.

Rebecca Pennington,
Chief Financial Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. AB 33 (Sub-No. 294X)]

Union Pacific Railroad Company— Abandonment Exemption—in Canyon County, Idaho

Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR part 1152 subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments* to abandon a 0.85-mile line of railroad on its Stoddard Industrial Lead from milepost 0.90 to milepost 1.75 in Nampa, in Canyon County, Idaho (the Line). The Line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Code 83686.

UP has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the Line for at least two years; (2) there is no overhead traffic on the Line; (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 two-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.

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, this

exemption will be effective on October 1, 2013, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues,¹ formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2),² and trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by September 9, 2013. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by September 19, 2013, 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: Mack H. Shumate, Jr., Senior General Attorney, Union Pacific Railroad Company, 101 North Wacker Drive, Room 1920, Chicago, IL 60606.

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

UP has filed a combined environmental and historic report which addresses the effects, if any, of the abandonment on the environment and historic resources. OEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by September 6, 2013. 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 1-800-877-8339. Comments on environmental and historic preservation matters must be filed within 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public.

¹ 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.

² Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which is currently set at \$1,600. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

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), 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 August 30, 2014, 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 Web site at "www.stb.dot.gov."

Decided: August 23, 2013.

By the Board.

Richard Armstrong,

Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, that a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans will be held on September 11-13, 2013, in the William Phillip King Room at The Emily Morgan Hotel, 705 East Houston Street, San Antonio. The Committee will meet from 8 a.m. each day until 4 p.m. on September 11-12 and until noon on September 13.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide the Secretary of Veterans Affairs with an on-going assessment of the effectiveness of the policies, organizational structures, and services of the Department in assisting homeless Veterans. The Committee shall assemble and review information relating to the needs of homeless Veterans and provide

on-going advice on the most appropriate means of providing assistance to homeless Veterans. The Committee will make recommendations to the Secretary regarding such activities.

On the morning of September 11, the Committee will convene in open session to receive briefings from VA and other officials regarding services for homeless Veterans. In the afternoon, the Committee will convene in closed session in order to protect patient privacy to conduct site visits to the American GI Forum Residential Center at 519 N. Medina Street, San Antonio, Texas, and the Haven for Hope at 1 Haven for Hope Way, San Antonio, Texas. Closing this session is in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6).

On September 12, the Committee will reconvene in an open session to receive briefings from VA and other officials regarding services for homeless Veterans. The Committee then will discuss items for its upcoming annual report and recommendations to the Secretary.

On September 13, the Committee will reconvene in open session to begin drafting items and recommendations for its upcoming annual report to the Secretary. No time will be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentations from the public. Interested parties should provide written comments on issues affecting homeless Veterans for review by the Committee to Mr. Vince Kane, Designated Federal Officer, Homeless Veterans Initiative Office (075D), Department of Veterans Affairs, 1722 Eye Street NW., Washington, DC 20006, or email to vince.kane@va.gov. Individuals who wish to attend the meeting should contact Mr. Kane at (202) 461-1857.

Dated: August 26, 2013.

By Direction of the Secretary:

Vivian Drake,

Committee Management Officer.

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