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- *1405-0021, Nontransfer and Use Certificate*: Pursuant to § 123.10 of the ITAR, a completed “Nontransfer and Use Certificate” (Form DSP-83) must accompany an export license application to export significant military equipment and classified articles and technical data. Pursuant to § 124.10 of the ITAR, a completed “Nontransfer and Use Certificate” must be submitted with any request for a manufacturing license agreement or technical assistance agreement that relates to significant military equipment or classified defense articles and technical data. The foreign consignee (if applicable), foreign end-user, and applicant execute this form. By signing the certificate the foreign end-user certifies that they will not, except as specifically authorized by prior written approval of the Department of State, re-export, resell or otherwise dispose of the defense articles enumerated in the application (1) outside the foreign country named as the country of ultimate destination; or (2) to any other person. With respect to agreements that involve classified articles or classified technical data, an authorized representative of the foreign government must also sign the form.

Methodology

This information collection may be sent to the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls via the following methods: Electronically or mail.

Kevin E. Bryant,

Deputy Director, Office of Directives Management, U.S. Department of State.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. AB 1319X]

City Utilities of Springfield, Mo.— Abandonment Exemption—in Greene County, Mo.

City Utilities of Springfield, Mo. (City Utilities), has filed with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) a petition under 49 CFR 10502 for exemption from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 10903 to abandon approximately 1.24 miles of rail line extending from approximately milepost 248.86 to

approximately milepost 250.1, in Greene County, Mo. (the Line).¹

City Utilities states that, based on information in its possession, the Line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in City Utilities’ possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it.

The interest of railroad employees will be protected by the conditions set forth in *Oregon Short Line Railroad—Abandonment Portion Goshen Branch Between Firth & Ammon, in Bingham & Bonneville Counties, Idaho*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979).

By issuing this notice, the Board is instituting an exemption proceeding pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10502(b). A final decision will be issued by January 28, 2022.

Any offer of financial assistance (OFA) under 49 CFR 1152.27(b)(2) will be due no later than 120 days after the filing of the petition for exemption, or 10 days after service of a decision granting the petition for exemption, whichever occurs sooner. Persons interested in submitting an OFA must first file a formal expression of intent to file an offer by November 12, 2021, indicating the type of financial assistance they wish to provide (*i.e.*, subsidy or purchase) and demonstrating that they are preliminarily financially responsible. See 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(1)(i).

Following abandonment, the Line may be suitable for other public use, including interim trail use. Any request for a public use condition under 49 CFR 1152.28 or for interim trail use/rail banking under 49 CFR 1152.29 will be due no later than November 22, 2021.² All pleadings, referring to Docket No. AB 1319X, should be filed with the Surface Transportation Board via e-filing on the Board’s website. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on City Utilities’ representative, Thomas W. Wilcox, Law

¹ City Utilities states that it acquired title to the Line and other track from the Burlington Northern Railroad Company (BN) through deeds dated January 15, 1986, and July 21, 1987, and that BN, and subsequently BNSF Railway Company, provided rail operations over the Line to deliver coal to City Utilities’ James River Power Station until that facility ceased burning coal in 2015. According to City Utilities, while recently performing due diligence in the process of converting the right-of-way into a multi-use recreational trail, it realized that it inadvertently neglected to seek acquisition authority for the Line from the ICC when City Utilities acquired the Line from BN. City Utilities obtained after-the-fact acquisition authority in October 2021. See *City Utils. of Springfield, Mo.—Acquis. Exemption—Line of BNSF Ry. in Greene Cnty., Mo.*, FD 36543 (STB served Oct. 15, 2021).

² Filing fees for OFAs and trail use requests can be found at 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25) and (27), respectively.

Office of Thomas W. Wilcox, LLC, 1629 K Street NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20006. Replies to the petition are due on or before November 22, 2021.

Persons seeking further information concerning abandonment procedures may contact the Board’s Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance at (202) 245-0238 or refer to the full abandonment regulations at 49 CFR part 1152. Questions concerning environmental issues may be directed to the Board’s Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) at (202) 245-0294. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

An environmental assessment (EA) (or environmental impact statement (EIS), if necessary) prepared by OEA will be served upon all parties of record and upon any other agencies or persons who comment during its preparation.³ Other interested persons may contact OEA to obtain a copy of the EA (or EIS). EAs in abandonment proceedings normally will be made available within 60 days of the filing of the petition. The deadline for submission of comments on the EA generally will be within 30 days of its service.

Board decisions and notices are available at www.stb.gov.

Decided: October 27, 2021.

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

Aretha Laws-Byrum,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No. FAA-2021-0179]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Airport Noise Compatibility Planning

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget’s (OMB) approval to renew an information

³ City Utilities filed its environmental and historic report along with its petition on October 12, 2021, and supplemented the record on October 14, 2021, with a letter from the Missouri State Historic Preservation Office.

collection. The collection involves information on voluntary airport noise compatibility programs. The information to be collected is necessary because noise compatibility program measures are eligible for Federal grants in-aid if they are provided to FAA for review and approval in advance. The respondents are airport sponsors that voluntarily submit noise exposure maps and noise compatibility programs to the FAA for review and approval.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the FAA's request for OMB's approval to renew this information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. Comments may also be submitted via electronic mail to susan.staehle@faa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Staehle by electronic mail at: susan.staehle@faa.gov or by phone at: 202-267-7935.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for FAA's performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for FAA to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2120-0517.

Title: Airport Noise Compatibility Planning.

Form Numbers: There are no FAA forms associated with this collection.

Type of Review: Renewal of an Information Collection.

Background: The voluntarily submitted information from the collection process pursuant to Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 150, (e.g., airport noise exposure maps and airport noise compatibility programs, or their revisions) is used by the FAA to conduct reviews of the submissions to determine if an airport sponsor's noise compatibility program is eligible for Federal grant funds. If airport sponsors did not voluntarily submit noise exposure maps and noise compatibility programs for FAA review and approval, the airport sponsor would not be eligible for the set aside of

discretionary grant funds. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day review period soliciting comments on this information collection of information was published in the **Federal Register** on April 9, 2021 (86 FR 18586) and no public comments were received.

Respondents: Approximately 15 airport sponsors.

Frequency: Information is collected on occasion.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: 2,080 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 31,200 hours.

Issued in: Washington, DC, October 26, 2021.

Susan Staehle,

Environmental Protection Specialist, Office of Airports, Planning and Environmental Division, APP-400.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Safety Advisory 21-1; Fleet-Wide Inspection of Wheel Gauging on Rail Rolling Stock

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of Safety Advisory.

SUMMARY: As a result of the derailment of a Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Metrorail train on October 12, 2021, FTA has issued Safety Advisory 21-1 to direct State Safety Oversight Agencies (SSOAs) to report information to FTA regarding out-of-tolerance wheel gauges on all rail transit rolling stock in revenue service. The Safety Advisory also advises SSOAs to require fleet-wide inspections of wheel gauges at rail fixed guideway public transportation systems (RTAs) in their jurisdiction. A copy of Safety Advisory 21-1 can be found on the FTA website at <https://www.transit.dot.gov/regulations-and-guidance/safety/fta-safety-advisories>.

DATES: FTA is requesting SSOA program managers to submit data on the rail transit fleets in revenue service at each RTA in its jurisdiction by December 1, 2021 and to report on the results of wheel gauge inspections conducted by each RTA in its jurisdiction by January 3, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gail Lyssy, Acting Associate Administrator for Transit Safety and Oversight and Chief Safety Officer, FTA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC

20590, telephone (202) 366-1783 or gail.lyssy@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 12, 2021, at about 4:50 p.m. local time, outbound Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) Metrorail train 407 derailed between the Rosslyn and Arlington Cemetery stations. The train was traveling southbound on track No. 2 of WMATA's Blue Line toward Franconia-Springfield with 187 passengers onboard. The National Transportation Safety Board is investigating this safety event, focusing on the pressed wheel/axle interface and widening wheel gauge on wheels and axles.

In accordance with 49 CFR part 674, SSOAs are responsible for overseeing the safety of the rail fixed guideway public transportation systems (RTAs) within their State. Each SSOA has investigative and enforcement authority with respect to the safety of all RTAs within their State (§ 674.13(a)(5)).

Action Required

Within 30 days of November 1, 2021, the SSOA must submit the following information to FTA, for the rail transit fleet in revenue service at each RTA in its jurisdiction:

- Total fleet size, by mode;
- Wheel gauge inspection protocols (specifically, the routine periodicity of inspections), by mode; and
- The number of vehicles that failed wheel gauge tolerance levels, based on the RTA's internal and approved procedures, from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021, by mode.

FTA seeks to collect this information as a periodic request for information under OMB control number 2132-0558. Equipment subject to Federal Railroad Administration safety oversight is excluded from this reporting requirement.

Recommended Action

FTA advises the SSOA to direct each RTA in its jurisdiction to conduct a wheel gauge inspection of its rail transit fleet in revenue service, which may include inspections conducted on or after October 1, 2021. Within 60 days of November 1, 2021, the SSOA should submit to FTA, for the rail transit fleet in revenue service at each RTA in its jurisdiction:

- The time frame during which these inspections were conducted (starting no earlier than October 1, 2021);
- The total number of revenue service vehicles inspected; and
- The total number of revenue service vehicles that failed wheel gauge