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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Aviation Proceedings; Agreements Filed

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements filed during the week ending November 15, 2002. The following Agreements were filed with the Department of Transportation under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. sections 412 and 414. Answers may be filed within 21 days after the filing of the application.

Docket Number: OST-2002-13821.

Date Filed: November 13, 2002.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: PTC3 0595 dated 12 November 2002, Mail Vote 251—Resolution 010g, TC3 between Japan/Korea and South East Asia, Special Passenger Amending Resolution between Korea, (Rep. of) and China, (excluding Hong Kong SAR and Macao SAR), Intended effective date: 26 December 2002.

Docket Number: OST-2002-13822.

Date Filed: November 13, 2002.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: Mail Vote 246, PTC23 ME-TC3 0155 dated 8 October 2002, TC23/TC123 Middle East-South East Asia Resolutions r1-r16, PTC23 ME-TC3 0159 dated 5 November 2002 (Affirmative), Minutes—PTC23 ME-TC3 0157 dated 15 October 2001, Tables—PTC23 ME-TC3 Fares 0064 dated 5 November 2002, Intended effective date: 1 April 2003.

Docket Number: OST-2002-13826.

Date Filed: November 13, 2002.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: PTC23 EUR-SWP 0071 dated 5 November 2002, TC23/TC123 Europe-South West Pacific Resolutions r1-r17, Minutes—PTC23 EUR-SWP 0072 dated 5 November 2002, Tables—PTC23 EUR-

SWP FARES 0036 dated 5 November 2002, Intended effective date: 1 April 2003.

Dorothy Y. Beard,

Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Aviation Proceedings; Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits

Notice of Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits Filed Under subpart B (formerly subpart Q) during the Week Ending November 15, 2002. The following Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits were filed under subpart B (formerly subpart Q) of the Department of Transportation's Procedural Regulations (See 14 CFR 301.201 et. seq.). The due date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motions to Modify Scope are set forth below for each application. Following the Answer period DOT may process the application by expedited procedures. Such procedures may consist of the adoption of a show-cause order, a tentative order, or in appropriate cases a final order without further proceedings.

Docket Number: OST-1998-3419.

Date Filed: November 13, 2002.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: December 4, 2002.

Description: Application of Delta Air Lines, Inc., pursuant to 49 U.S.C. sections 41102 and 41108 and subpart B, requesting renewal of its certificate of public convenience and necessity to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property, and mail between the terminal point Atlanta, Georgia and the terminal point Tokyo, Japan.

Docket Number: OST-1998-3419.

Date Filed: November 13, 2002.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: December 4, 2002.

Description: Application of Continental, Airlines, Inc., pursuant to 49 U.S.C. section 41102 and subpart B, requesting renewal of its Route 753 certificate authorizing Continental to provide scheduled air transportation of persons, property, and mail between certain points in the United States and Tokyo and Osaka, Japan, as well as

beyond Japan to Seoul, Korea, Singapore and Bangkok, Thailand.

Dorothy Y. Beard,

Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 196X)]

Union Pacific Railroad Company—Abandonment Exemption—in Los Angeles County, CA

Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) has filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments and Discontinuances of Service and Trackage Rights* to abandon the Lakewood Industrial Lead, a 0.85-mile rail line extending from milepost 16.50 near Cover Street, in Lakewood, to milepost 17.35 at the end of the line, south of Wardlow Street, in Long Beach, in Los Angeles County, CA. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 90712 and 90807.

UP has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) the line has not been used as an overhead route for the past 2 years; (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 2-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.7 (environmental reports), 49 CFR 1105.8 (historic reports), 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 R. Co.—Abandonment—Goshen*, 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 December 28, 2002, 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 December 9, 2002. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by December 17, 2002, with: Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423.

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 an environmental report which addresses the abandonment's effects, if any, on the environment and historic resources. SEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by December 3, 2002. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA by writing to SEA (Room 500, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423) or by calling SEA, at (202) 565-1552. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) 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.

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 November 27, 2003, 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: November 19, 2002.

¹ The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption's effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Service 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 currently is set at \$1,100. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

By the Board, David M. Konschnik,
Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Fiscal Service

Financial Management Service

Proposed Collection of Information: Resolution Authorizing Execution of Depositary, Financial Agency, and Collateral Agreement; and Depositary, Financial Agency, and Collateral Agreement

AGENCY: Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Financial Management Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a continuing information collection. By this notice, the Financial Management Service solicits comments concerning forms "Resolution Authorizing Execution of Depositary, Financial Agency, and Collateral Agreement; and Depositary, Financial Agency, and Collateral Agreement."

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before January 27, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Financial Management Service, 3700 East West Highway, Records and Information Management Staff, Room 135, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Request for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to Karol Forsberg, Director, Electronic Banking Services Division, 401 14th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20227, (202) 874-6952. **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), the Financial Management Service solicits comments on the collection of information described below.

Title: Resolution Authorizing Execution of Depositary, Financial Agency, and Collateral Agreement; and Depositary, Financial Agency, and Collateral Agreement.

OMB Number: 1510-0067

Form Number: FMS 5902; FMS 5903.

Abstract: These forms are used to give authority to financial institutions to

become a depositary of the Federal Government. The also execute an agreement from the financial institutions that are authorized to pledge collateral to secure public funds with Federal Reserve Banks or their designees.

Current Actions: Extension of currently approved collection.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 15 (2 forms each).

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 30 minutes (15 minutes each form).

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 7.

Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance and purchase of services to provide information.

Betsy Lane,

Assistant Commissioner, Federal Finance.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Research and Strategic Planning for Limited English Proficient (LEP) Hispanic Taxpayers

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed