practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.–5 p.m.) at the above facility. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the Internet at the docket facility's Web site at http://dms.dot.gov.

FRA wishes to inform all potential commenters that anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477–78) or you may visit http://dms.dot.gov.

Issued in Washington, DC on May 21, 2007.

Grady C. Cothen, Jr.

Deputy Associate Administrator for Safety Standards and Program Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board [STB Finance Docket No. 35027]

United States Steel Corporation— Acquisition of Control Exemption— Texas & Northern Railway Company

United States Steel Corporation (USS), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption to acquire from Lone Star Technologies, Inc. (LST), control of Texas & Northern Railway Company (T&NR), a Class III rail carrier, operating in Texas. According to USS, USS and LST have entered into an agreement and plan of merger, submitted to the Board, for USS to control certain subsidiaries of LST, including Lone Star Steel Company, LP (LSS).2 USS states that by this agreement with LST, USS will indirectly control T&NR and through Transtar, continue to control six common carriers.

The transaction will be consummated on or about June 14, 2007.

The parties represent and warrant that: (1) T&NR does not connect with any of the Transtar railroads; (2) the acquisition and continuance in control is not part of a series of anticipated transactions that would connect the T&NR with any of the railroads in the Transtar corporate family; and (3) the transaction does not involve a Class I carrier. Therefore, the transaction is exempt from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323. See 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2).

Under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), the Board may not use its exemption authority to relieve a rail carrier of its statutory obligation to protect the interests of its employees. Because the transaction involves the control of one Class II and one or more Class III carriers, the exemption is subject to the labor protection requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11326(b).

If the notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the transaction.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 35027, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of all pleadings must be served on Brian M. McShea, United States Steel Corporation, 600 Grant Street, Room 1500, Pittsburgh, PA 15219-2800; John A. Vuono, Vuono & Gray, LLC, 2310 Grant Building, Pittsburgh, PA 15219; and Robert F. Spears, Texas & Northern Railway Company, Lone Star Technologies, Inc., 15660 N. Dallas Parkway, Suite 500, Dallas, TX 75248.

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Decided: May 18, 2007.

By the Board, Joseph H. Dettmar, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 678X)]

CSX Transportation, Inc.— Abandonment Exemption-in Clay County, IL

CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT) has filed a notice of exemption under 49

CFR 1152 Subpart F—Exempt
Abandonments to abandon a 0.86-mile
line of railroad on its Northern Region,
Louisville Division, Illinois
Subdivision, from milepost BXO 74.14
to milepost BXO 75.0, known as the
Flora North Branch, City of Flora, in
Clay County, IL. The line traverses
United States Postal Service Zip Code
62839.

CSXT has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) any overhead traffic handled on the line can be rerouted 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 cessation of service over the line either is pending with the Surface Transportation 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 June 27, 2007, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues, formal expressions of intent to file an

¹ USS controls Transtar Inc. (Transtar), a noncarrier holding company, which owns one Class II carrier, the Elgin, Joliet, and Eastern Railway Company, and the following five Class III carriers: Birmingham Southern Railroad Company; Delray Connecting Railroad Company; The Lake Terminal Railroad Company; McKeesport Connecting Railroad Company; and Union Railroad Company.

 $^{^2\,\}mbox{T\&NR}$ is a wholly owned subsidiary of LSS that provides rail services for LSS and others.

¹Pursuant to 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(2), the railroad must file a verified notice with the Board at least 50 days before the abandonment or discontinuance is to be consummated. CSXT initially indicated in its notice of exemption a proposed consummation date of June 25, 2007, but because the verified notice was filed on May 8, 2007, consummation may not take place prior to June 27, 2007. By filing made on May 11, 2007, CSXT has revised its notice to show that consummation may not take place until June 27, 2007.

²The 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 Outof-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.

OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2),³ and trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by June 4, 2007. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by June 14, 2007, with: Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423—0001

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to CSXT's representative: Steven C. Armbrust, 500 Water Street—J150, Jacksonville, FL 32202.

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

CSXT has filed environmental and historic reports which address the effects, if any, of the abandonment on the environment and historic resources. SEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by June 1, 2007. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA by writing to SEA (Room 1100, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423-0001) or by calling SEA, at (202) 245-0305. [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), 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 May 25, 2008, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

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By the Board, Joseph H. Dettmar, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of Engraving and Printing

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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 and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning survey and other research designed to establish benchmark measures of awareness, confidence and behavior, test messages and potential program taglines and materials relating to the Bureau's redesigned currency public education program.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before July 23, 2007 to be assured consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Department of the Treasury, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Ellen Gano, 14th & C Streets, SW., Washington, DC 20228, (202) 874–1211.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to Department of the Treasury, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Pamela V. Grayson, 14th & C Streets, SW., Washington, DC 20228, (202) 874–2212.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Redesigned Currency Information Collection.

Abstract: The Bureau of Engraving and Printing requests approval to conduct a series of information collection activities with the public in support of its public education program regarding the introduction of redesigned currency. These collections will include: A survey used to establish baseline measures of awareness of currency changes, confidence in the currency and authentication behavior, and subsequent surveys to evaluate changes in these measures; a survey to evaluate potential messages designed to encourage the public to examine and learn currency security features; a survey to evaluate potential taglines that will help call attention to new security

features while maintaining confidence in U.S. currency; and, a survey to test draft materials to be developed in support of the program. The collection will also include in-depth interviews with bank tellers and others who frequently conduct cash transactions as part of their job, to identify special needs and tools for their use.

Current Actions: This is a new collection.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: The affected public includes all adult (18 or older) members of the U.S. population.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,850.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,990.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Written comments should address the accuracy of the burden estimates and ways to minimize burden including the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology, as well as other relevant aspects of the information collection request.

Dated: May 23, 2007.

Pamela V. Grayson,

 $Management\ Analyst.$

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Pima Cotton Trust Fund

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Homeland Security.

ACTION: General notice.

SUMMARY: On December 20, 2006, President Bush signed into law the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006. Within Division C of the Act, section 407 of Title IV establishes a Cotton Trust Fund in the Treasury of the United States to be known as the "Pima Cotton Trust Fund." The Pima Cotton Trust Fund is comprised of funds transferred from the general fund of the Treasury in amounts equal to duties collected since January 1, 1994, on certain imports of pima cotton products. Section 407 of the Act authorizes distributions out of the Trust Fund in each of fiscal years 2007 and 2008, payable to eligible manufacturers and spinners of certain pima cotton products, as well as to a nationally

³ Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which currently is set at \$1,300. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).