

Waterman Steamship Corporation, and Weeks Marine, Inc.

CONTACT PERSON FOR ADDITIONAL

INFORMATION: Mr. William F. Trost, Acting Director, Office of Sealift Support, (202) 366-2323.

By order of the Maritime Administrator.

Dated: October 1, 2001.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[U.S. DOT Docket Number NHTSA-2001-10735]

Reports, Forms, and Record keeping Requirements

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Request for public comment on proposed collection of information.

SUMMARY: Before a Federal agency can collect certain information from the public, it must receive approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Under procedures established by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before seeking OMB approval, Federal agencies must solicit public comment on proposed collections of information, including extensions and reinstatement of previously approved collections.

This document describes one collection of information for which NHTSA intends to seek OMB approval.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 4, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments must refer to the docket notice numbers cited at the beginning of this notice and be submitted to Docket Management, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Please identify the proposed collection of information for which a comment is provided, by referencing its OMB clearance Number. It is requested, but not required, that 2 copies of the comment be provided. The Docket Section is open on weekdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Complete copies of each request for collection of information may be obtained at no charge from Gregory Rymarz, NHTSA 400 Seventh Street, SW., Room 5208, NPP-22, Washington, DC 20590. Mr. Gregory Rymarz's telephone number is (202) 366-2570.

Please identify the relevant collection of information by referring to its OMB Control Number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before an agency submits a proposed collection of information to OMB for approval it must first publish a document in the **Federal Register** providing a 60-day comment period and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information. The OMB has promulgated regulations describing what must be included in such a document. Under OMB's regulation (at 5 CFR 1320.8(d)), an agency must ask for public comment on the following:

(i) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) How to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(iv) How to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses.

In compliance with these requirements, NHTSA asks for public comments on the following proposed collections of information:

Title: Highway Crash Data Collection for the Evaluation of Antilock Brake Systems (ABS) and Rear Impact Guards on Heavy Vehicles.

OMB Control Number: New.

Affected Public: State and Local Governments.

Form Number: N/A.

Abstract: As required by the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 and Executive Order 12866 (58 FR 51735), NHTSA reviews existing regulations to determine if they are achieving policy goals. Safety Standard 121 (49 CFR 571.121) requires Antilock Brake Systems (ABS) on air-brake equipped truck-tractors manufactured on or after March 1, 1997 and on semi-trailers and single-unit trucks equipped with air brakes and manufactured on or after March 1, 1998. Safety Standards 223 (49 CFR 571.223) and 224 (49 CFR 571.224) set minimum requirements for the geometry, configuration, strength

and energy absorption capability of rear impact guards on full trailers and semi-trailers over 10,000 pounds Gross Vehicle Weight Rating manufactured on, or after, January 26, 1998. NHTSA's Office of Plans and Policy is planning a highway crash data collection effort that will provide adequate information to perform an evaluation of the effectiveness of ABS and rear impact guards for heavy trucks. This study will estimate the actual safety benefits (crashes, injuries, and fatalities avoided) achieved by the standards and provide a basis for assessing whether the standards are functioning as intended. Highway crash data will be analyzed to the extent that the experiences of heavy trucks equipped with ABS and rear impact guards can be compared with the experiences of heavy trucks not so equipped.

Estimated Annual Burden: The annual burden is estimated to be 4,373 hours.

Number of Respondents: The state police in two states will report information on a total of 15,000 crashes.

Issued on: October 1, 2001.

William H. Walsh,

Associate Administrator for Plans and Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34093]

Canadian Pacific Railway Company and Soo Line Corporation—Corporate Family Transaction Exemption—Delaware and Hudson Railway Company, Inc.

Canadian Pacific Railway Company (CPR), Soo Line Corporation (SLC) and Delaware and Hudson Railway Company, Inc. (DHRC) (collectively CP Parties) have filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(3) to undertake a corporate family transaction, which involves SLC's the acquisition of direct control of DHRC and its indirect control of nonoperating carriers controlled by DHRC.

CPR currently controls Soo Line Railroad Company (Soo) and DHRC. Soo is a direct subsidiary of SLC, which is an indirect subsidiary of CPR. DHRC is controlled directly by D&H Investments, Inc. (DHI), which is also an indirect subsidiary of CPR. Following the proposed corporate reorganization, DHI will no longer exist and DHRC will become a direct corporate subsidiary of SLC. SLC will hold 100 percent of the

outstanding shares of DHRC and will therefore control DHRC.¹

The proposed transaction was to have been consummated on or after September 26, 2001.

The purpose of the proposed transaction is to eliminate DHI and transfer the shares of DHRC to SLC to simplify the resulting corporate structure of the CPR corporate family. The proposed transaction is part of a corporate reorganization of the transportation and non-transportation businesses of CPR's parent, Canadian Pacific Limited. A new noncarrier holding company parent of CPR, Canadian Pacific Railway Limited, will be created and will become a publicly traded company.

This is a transaction within a corporate family of the type specifically exempted from prior review and approval under 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(3). As described, the transaction will not result in adverse changes in service levels, significant operational changes, or a change in the competitive balance with carriers outside the applicants' corporate family.

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. As a condition to this exemption, any United States railroad employee affected by the transaction will be protected by the conditions imposed in *New York Dock Ry.—Control—Brooklyn Eastern Dist.*, 360 I.C.C. 60 (1979).

¹ CP Parties state that the day-to-day operations of DHRC will continue to be managed by CPR.

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. 34093, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Terence M. Hynes, Sidley Austin Brown & Wood, 1501 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20005.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at www.stb.dot.gov.

Decided: September 27, 2001.

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

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of Citizen Advocacy Panel, Midwest District

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: A meeting of the Midwest Citizen Advocacy Panel will be held in Omaha, Nebraska.

DATES: The meeting will be held Thursday, October 25, 2001, and Friday, October 26, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandra McQuin at 1-888-912-1227, or 414-297-1604.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Citizen Advocacy Panel (CAP) will be held Thursday, October 25, 2001, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Friday, October 26, 2001, from 8:00 a.m. to Noon at the Doubletree Hotel, 1616 Dodge Street, Omaha, Nebraska. The Citizen Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comment, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service. Public comments will be welcome during the meeting, or you can submit written comments to the panel by faxing to (414) 297-1623, or by mail to Citizen Advocacy Panel, Mail Stop 1006 MIL, 310 West Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53203-2221.

The Agenda will include the following: Reports by the CAP subgroups, presentation of taxpayer issues by individual members, and discussion of issues.

Note: Last minute changes to the agenda are possible and could prevent effective advance notice.

Dated: September 24, 2001.

Cindy Vanderpool,

Detailed Director, CAP Communication and Liaison.

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