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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

Release of Waybill Data

The Surface Transportation Board has received a request from Covington & Burling on behalf of Union Pacific Corporation (WB468-6—11/15/04), for permission to use certain data from the Board's Carload Waybill Samples. A copy of the request may be obtained from the Office of Economics, Environmental Analysis, and Administration.

The waybill sample contains confidential railroad and shipper data; therefore, if any parties object to these requests, they should file their objections with the Director of the Board's Office of Economics, Environmental Analysis, and Administration within 14 calendar days of the date of this notice. The rules for release of waybill data are codified at 49 CFR 1244.9.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34512]

Nebraska, Kansas & Colorado Railnet, Inc.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company

Nebraska, Kansas & Colorado Railnet, Inc. (Nebraska), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 *et seq.* to acquire and operate two lines of railroad from The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF). The subject lines total 88.6 miles in length and are located in Harlan, Franklin, Hitchcock, Hayes, and Chase Counties, NE.

Specifically, Nebraska will: (1) Lease and operate BNSF's Imperial Subdivision between milepost 0.89 near Culbertson, NE., and milepost 49.1 near Imperial, NE.; and (2) purchase and

operate a portion of BNSF's Wymore Subdivision located between milepost 216.95 near Franklin, NE., and milepost 257.36 near Oxford Jct., NE.. In addition, BNSF will grant Nebraska incidental trackage rights for the purpose of interchange with BNSF over BNSF's line between milepost 236.0 near Oxford, NE, and milepost 257.36 near Oxford Jct.; between milepost 257.36 near Oxford Jct., and milepost 288.0 near McCook, NE; and between milepost 0.89 near Culbertson, and milepost 286.0 near McCook.

Nebraska certifies that its projected revenues as a result of this transaction will not result in the creation of a Class II or Class I rail carrier so as to require processing under 49 CFR 1150.45. Nebraska also states that on or about July 29, 2004, it posted and served notice to employees of the proposed transaction as required under 49 CFR 1150.42(e) and certified to the Board that it had done so on the same date. The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on or after November 12, 2004.

If the verified 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. 34512, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on John D. Heffner, 1920 N Street, NW., Suite 800, Washington, DC 20036.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>.

Decided: November 15, 2004.

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

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Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Veterans' Advisory Committee on Environmental Hazards; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Pub. L. 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that a meeting of the Veteran's Advisory Committee on Environmental Hazards

will be held on Thursday and Friday, January 6-7, 2005, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. The meeting will be held at 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Room 530, Washington, DC 20420. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on adverse health effects that may be associated with exposure to ionizing radiation and to make recommendations on proposed standards and guidelines regarding VA benefit claims based upon exposure to ionizing radiation.

The major items on the agenda for both days will be discussions and analyses of medical and scientific papers concerning the health effects of exposure to ionizing radiation. On the basis of its analyses and discussions, the Committee may make recommendations to the Secretary concerning the relationship of certain diseases with exposure to ionizing radiation. On January 6 there will be presentations by VA's Public Health and Environmental Hazards Office, and by Specialists in Energy, Nuclear, and Environmental Sciences (SENES). The January 7 session will include planning future Committee activities and assignment of tasks among the members.

Those who wish to attend should contact Ms. Bernice Green of the Department of Veterans Affairs, Compensation and Pension Service, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, by phone at (202) 273-7210, or by fax at (202) 275-1728. Members of the public may submit written questions or prepared statements for review by the Committee in advance of the meeting. Statements should be sent to Ms. Green's attention at least 5 days prior to the meeting at the address shown above. Those who submit material may be asked to clarify it prior to its consideration by the Committee.

An open forum for verbal statements from the public will also be available for 20 minutes during the morning and 20 minutes in the afternoon each day. Each person who wishes to make a verbal statement before the Committee will be accommodated on a first come, first served basis and will be provided three (3) minutes to present the statement.

Dated: November 15, 2004.

By Direction of the Secretary.

E. Philip Riggan,

Committee Management Officer.

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