

installation is required or effective. During low speed operation, maximum braking does not generally result in wheel lockup and the subsequent potential for loss of vehicle control. These street sweepers are seldom operated in inclement weather, which further reduces the need for ABS.

Athey stated that the company has reviewed its manufacturing process, determined the cause of the noncompliance with the ABS requirements of FMVSS No. 105, and taken corrective measures to eliminate this type of noncompliance in the future.

In consideration of the foregoing, NHTSA has decided that the applicant has met its burden of persuasion that the noncompliance it describes is inconsequential to safety. Accordingly, its application is granted, and the applicant is exempted from providing the notification of the noncompliance that is required by 49 U.S.C. 30118, and from remedying the noncompliance, as required by 49 U.S.C. 30120.

(49 U.S.C. 30118, 30120; delegations of authority of 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8)

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Stephen R. Kratzke,

Associate Administrator for Safety Performance Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 33897]

Arkansas-Oklahoma Railroad Company—Lease and Operation Exemption—Union Pacific Railroad Company

Arkansas-Oklahoma Railroad Company, a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to lease and operate 35.5 miles of rail line from Union Pacific Railroad Company between milepost 446.5, near Shawnee, OK, and milepost 482.0, near Oklahoma City, OK.

The transaction was scheduled to be consummated within seven days following the July 7, 2000 effective date of the exemption.

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 does not automatically stay the transaction.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 33897, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Edward W. Landreth, Arkansas-Oklahoma Railroad Company, P.O. Box 485, Wilburton, OK 74578.

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Dated/Decided: July 13, 2000.

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

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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