

*Estimated Number of Respondents:*

10.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 10.*Annual Estimated Burden:* 10 hours.

*Frequency of Collection:* An applicant's filing of an EEO employment complaint is solely voluntary.

*Comments are invited on:* (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is reasonable for the proper performance of the EEO functions of the Department, and (b) the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection, including the validity of methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways 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 technology. Comments should be addressed to the address in the preamble. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Issued in Washington, DC on July 24, 2009.

**Patricia Lawton,**

*DOT Paperwork Reduction Act Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Office of the Secretary

#### **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 July 18, 2009**

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:* DOT-OST-2009-0163.

*Date Filed:* July 17, 2009.

*Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope:* August 7, 2009.

*Description:* Application of TAP Portugal ("TAP") requesting an amendment to its foreign air carrier permit so that the authority granted by such permit will reflect the full extent of the rights of Community airlines under the Air Transport Agreement between the United States and the European Community and the Member States of the European Community specifically, TAP seeks blanket open skies authority to enable TAP to engage in: (i) Scheduled and charter foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail from any point or points behind any Member State of the European Union via any point or points in any Member State and via intermediate points to any point or points in the United States and beyond; (ii) scheduled and charter foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail between any point or points in any member of the European Common Aviation Area and any point or points in the United States; (iii) scheduled and charter all-cargo foreign air transportation between any point or points in the United States and any other point or points; (iv) other charters subject to the Department's regulations; (v) and transportation authorized by any additional route rights made available to European Community airlines in the future. TAP also requests exemption authority to the extent necessary to enable it to engage in the above described operations pending issuance of an amended foreign air carrier permit.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 35116]

#### **R.J. Corman Railroad Company/ Pennsylvania Lines Inc.—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Clearfield County, PA**

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability of the Final Scope of Study for the Environmental Impact Statement.

**SUMMARY:** On May 20, 2008, R.J. Corman Railroad Company/Pennsylvania Lines Inc. (RJCP) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10502 for

authority to construct and operate an abandoned 10.8-mile rail line between Wallacetown Junction and Winburne in Clearfield County, Pennsylvania (the Western Segment) and to reactivate a connecting 9.3-mile line between Winburne and Gorton in Clearfield and Centre Counties, Pennsylvania (the Eastern Segment) that is currently being used for interim trail use, subject to the possible restoration of rail service (rail banking) pursuant to the Trails Act, 16 U.S.C. 1247(d). In total, the proposed project would involve the construction, rebuilding, and operation of approximately 20 miles of the former Beech Creek Rail Line to serve a new quarry, landfill, and industrial park being developed by Resource Recovery, LLC, near Gorton, Pennsylvania.<sup>1</sup>

Because this project has the potential to result in significant environmental impacts, the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) has determined that the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is appropriate pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*). On January 8, 2009, SEA published a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an EIS in the **Federal Register** announcing the start of the scoping process, the availability of the Draft Scope of Study, and the date/time/location for a public scoping meeting. Invitation letters for the public scoping meeting were mailed to 31 federal, state, and local agencies, as well as local elected officials. Additionally, an advertisement was placed in two local area newspapers, the Centre Daily Times and the Progress News, to announce the public scoping meeting.

Approximately 130 individuals attended the open-house scoping meeting held on February 10, 2009 at the Philipsburg-Osceola Area Senior High School in Philipsburg, Pennsylvania. In total, SEA received:

- 100 comments from individuals attending the open house meeting;
- 13 comment letters; and
- 17 individual comments filed electronically on the Board's Web site/e-mail.

<sup>1</sup> On July 27, 2009, the Board issued a decision finding that RJCP does not need construction authority under 49 U.S.C. 10901 or 49 U.S.C. 10502 to reactivate the rail banked Eastern Segment. Nevertheless, the environmental review process will encompass the entire 20 miles of proposed rail line (*i.e.*, both the Eastern and Western Segments), for the reasons discussed in the Draft Scope of Study and the Board's July 27th decision. *See R.J. Corman Railroad Company/Pennsylvania Lines Inc.—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Clearfield County, PA*, STB Finance Docket No. 35116 (STB served July 27, 2009).