

### III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not:

A. Significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest;

B. impose any significant burden on competition; and

C. become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>31</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)<sup>32</sup> thereunder. At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission will institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be approved or disapproved.

### IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

#### *Electronic Comments*

- Use the Commission's internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an email to [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-CboeBZX-2019-025 on the subject line.

#### *Paper Comments*

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-CboeBZX-2019-025. This file number should be included on the subject line if email is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's internet website (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the

Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-CboeBZX-2019-025 and should be submitted on or before May 9, 2019.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>33</sup>

**Eduardo A. Aleman,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 10737]

#### **Extension of Waiver of Section 907 of the Freedom Support Act With Respect to Assistance to the Government of Azerbaijan**

Pursuant to the authority contained in title II of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2002 (Pub. L. 107-115); E.O. 12884, as amended by E.O. 13346; and Department of State Delegation of Authority 245-2, I hereby determine and certify that extending the waiver of section 907 of the FREEDOM Support Act of 1992 (22 U.S.C. 5812 note) with respect to Azerbaijan:

- Is necessary to support United States' efforts to counter international terrorism; or
- is necessary to support the operational readiness of U.S. Armed Forces or coalition partners to counter international terrorism; or
- is important to Azerbaijan's border security; and
- will not undermine or hamper ongoing efforts to negotiate a peaceful

settlement between Armenia and Azerbaijan or be used for offensive purposes against Armenia.

Accordingly, I hereby extend the waiver of section 907 of the FREEDOM Support Act. This determination shall be published in the **Federal Register**. The determination and memorandum of justification shall be provided to the appropriate committees in Congress.

Dated March 22, 2019.

**John J. Sullivan,**

*Deputy Secretary of State.*

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### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 10734]

#### **Industry Advisory Group; Notice of Open Meeting**

The Industry Advisory Group (IAG) of the Bureau of Overseas Buildings Operations (OBO) will meet on Tuesday, May 14 from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time. The meeting is open to the public and will be held in the Loy Henderson Conference Room of the U.S. Department of State, located at 2201 C Street NW (entrance on 23rd Street) Washington, DC. For logistical and security reasons, the public must enter and exit the building using only the 23rd Street entrance.

This committee serves the U.S. government in a solely advisory capacity concerning industry and academia's latest concepts, methods, best practices, innovations, and ideas related to OBO's mission to provide safe, secure, and functional facilities that represent the U.S. government to the host nation and support our staff in the achievement of U.S. foreign policy objectives.

The majority of the meeting will be devoted to discussions between the Department's senior management and IAG representatives with respect to industry and academia's latest concepts, methods, best practices, innovations and ideas related to property management that are applicable to OBO's vital mission. Reasonable time will be provided for members of the public to provide comment.

Admittance to the State Department building will be by means of a pre-arranged clearance list. In order to register, you must provide the following information via email to [IAGR@state.gov](mailto:IAGR@state.gov): First and last name, company/firm name (if applicable), date of birth, country of citizenship, and the number, issuing country/state associated with a

<sup>31</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>32</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>33</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

valid government-issued ID (*i.e.*, U.S. government ID, U.S. military ID, passport, or driver's license) and requests for reasonable accommodation by April 30. You can also visit the OBO website at <http://overseasbuildings.state.gov/> for additional information. Requests for reasonable accommodation made after that date will be considered, but may not be able to be fulfilled. The public may attend this meeting as seating capacity allows.

Personal data is requested pursuant to Public Law 99–399 (Omnibus Diplomatic Security and Antiterrorism Act of 1986), as amended; Public Law 107–56 (USA PATRIOT Act); and Executive Order 13356. The purpose of the collection is to validate the identity of individuals who enter Department facilities. The data will be entered into the Visitor Access Control System (VACS–D) database.

Please see the Security Records System of Records Notice (State–36) at <http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/242611.pdf> for additional information.

Please contact [IAGR@state.gov](mailto:IAGR@state.gov) with any questions.

**Addison D. Davis, IV,**  
Director.

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## **SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

[Docket No. AB 463 (Sub-No. 2X)]

### **Alabama Railroad Co.—Abandonment Exemption—in Escambia, Conecuh, and Monroe Counties, Alabama**

Alabama Railroad Co. (ALAB) has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR pt. 1152 subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments* to abandon approximately 47.5 miles of rail line, which extends from approximately milepost 607.73 at Flomaton, Ala., to approximately milepost 655.2 near Tunnel Springs, Ala., including all sidings and the MR Junction Spur between valuation stations 0+00 and 90+81 in Escambia, Conecuh, and Monroe, Counties, Ala. (the Line). The Line traverses U.S. Postal Service Zip Codes 36426, 36441, 36460, 36471, and 36475.

ALAB has certified that: (1) No local or overhead traffic over the Line has moved for at least two years; (2) any overhead traffic on the Line could be rerouted over other lines; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the Line (or 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 any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of a complainant within the two-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication), 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice to governmental agencies), and 49 CFR 1105.7 and 1105.8 (environment and historic report), have been met.

As a condition to this exemption, any employee adversely affected by the abandonment shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line Railroad—Abandonment Portion Goshen Branch Between Firth & Ammon, in Bingham & Bonneville Counties, Idaho*, 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) <sup>1</sup> for continued rail service has been received, this exemption will be effective on May 18, 2019, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues must be filed by April 26, 2019.<sup>2</sup> Formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2) <sup>3</sup> and interim trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by April 29, 2019. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by May 8, 2019, with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423–0001.

A copy of any petition filed with Board should be sent to CSXT's representatives, William A. Mullins and Crystal M. Zorbaugh, Baker & Miller PLLC, 2401 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20037.

<sup>1</sup> The Board modified its OFA procedures effective July 29, 2017. Among other things, the OFA process now requires potential offerors, in their formal expression of intent, to make a preliminary financial responsibility showing based on a calculation using information contained in the carrier's filing and publicly available information. See *Offers of Financial Assistance*, EP 729 (STB served June 29, 2017); 82 FR 30,997 (July 5, 2017).

<sup>2</sup> The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption's effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Serv. 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.

<sup>3</sup> Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which currently is set at \$1,800. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

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

ALAB has filed a combined environmental and historic report that addresses the potential effects of the abandonment on the environment and historic resources. OEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by April 23, 2019. The EA will be available to interested persons on the Board's website, by writing to OEA, or by calling OEA at (202) 245–0305. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Relay Service at (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), ALAB 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 ALAB's filing a notice of consummation by April 18, 2020, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

Board decisions and notices are available at [www.stb.gov](http://www.stb.gov).

Decided: April 15, 2019.

By the Board, Allison C. Davis, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

**Jeffrey Herzig,**  
Clearance Clerk.

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## **OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE**

### **Notice of Product Exclusions: China's Acts, Policies, and Practices Related to Technology Transfer, Intellectual Property, and Innovation**

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice of product exclusions.

**SUMMARY:** Effective July 6, 2018, the U.S. Trade Representative (Trade Representative) imposed additional duties on goods of China with an annual trade value of approximately \$34 billion (the \$34 billion action) as part of the action in the Section 301 investigation of China's acts, policies, and practices related to technology transfer, intellectual property, and innovation.