

h. To issue protective orders aimed at prohibiting the public dissemination of certain information and materials provided to the ODRA and opposing parties during the course of contest proceedings, including, but not limited to, documents or other materials reflecting trade secrets, confidential financial information and other proprietary or competition-sensitive data, as well as confidential Agency source selection information the disclosure of which might jeopardize future Agency procurement activities;

i. To utilize consensual alternative dispute resolution (ADR) methods in accordance with established Department of Transportation and FAA policies;

j. To engage with Agency program offices and contractors in voluntary mutually agreeable ADR efforts aimed at resolving issues relating to potential contests at the earliest possible stage, even before a contest is formally filed with the ODRA;

k. To take all other reasonable steps deemed necessary and proper for the management of the FAA dispute resolution system for the resolution of contests, in accordance with the Acquisition Management System and applicable law and policy.

The Associate Chief Counsel/Director of the ODRA may redelegate the authority set forth above, in whole or in part, to an ODRA Dispute Resolution Officer or to a Special Master.

Issued in Washington, DC, on March 10, 2004.

Andrew B. Steinberg,
Chief Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34482]

Old Augusta Railroad, LLC— Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Assets of Old Augusta Railroad Company

Old Augusta Railroad, LLC (OARLLC), a newly created Class III railroad, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to acquire and operate a short line railroad currently operated by the Old Augusta Railroad Company (OARC). OARLLC indicates that, on February 26, 2004, Koch Cellulose (Koch), the parent corporation of OARLLC, entered into an agreement with Georgia Pacific Corporation (Georgia Pacific) and various subsidiaries of Georgia Pacific to

acquire Georgia Pacific's non-integrated market and fluff pulp operations. In connection with this transaction, Koch will also acquire Georgia Pacific's Leaf River Pulp Mill in New Augusta, MS, and substantially all of the assets of OARC, including OARC's 2.5-mile short line railroad that it currently operates between the Leaf River Pulp Mill and the Canadian National Railway Company interchange. Before the closing of the transaction, Koch will assign to OARLLC its right to acquire the assets of OARC, and, upon the closing of the transaction, OARLLC will acquire and operate OARC's short line railroad.

OARLLC certifies that its projected annual revenues will not exceed those that would qualify it as a Class III rail carrier and will not result in the creation of a Class II or Class I rail carrier.

OARLLC states that it expects to consummate the transaction in the first week of May 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. 34482, 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 Raffaele G. Fazio, Senior Counsel, Koch Industries, Inc., P.O. Box 2256, Wichita, KS 67201.

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

Decided: March 23, 2004.

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

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 4952

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent

burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 4952, Investment Interest Expense Deduction.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before June 1, 2004 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Glenn P. Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6411, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Carol Savage at Internal Revenue Service, room 6407, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622-3945, or through the Internet at CAROL.A.SAVAGE@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Investment Interest Expense Deduction.

OMB Number: 1545-0191.

Form Number: Form 4952.

Abstract: Interest expense paid by an individual, estate, or trust on a loan allocable to property held for investment may not be fully deductible in the current year. Form 4952 is used to compute the amount of investment interest expense deductible for the current year and the amount, if any, to carry forward to future years.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to the form at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households and business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 800,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 3 hours, 23 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,700,000.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.