

vehicles or certain regions in its allocation of replacement parts, (4) whether, and how, NHTSA should order a replacement schedule for replacement frontal inflators/air bags if Takata and/or Manufacturers cannot provide assurances for the ongoing safety of the inflators, and (5) whether, and how, NHTSA should order additional authorized repair facilities, or any other regulated entity, to aid Takata and/or Manufacturers in timely completing remedy programs.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30101, *et seq.*, 30118–30120, 30120(c)(3), 30166(b)(1), 30166(g)(1); 49 CFR 573.6, 573.14; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.95(a), 501.2(a)(1).

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Mark R. Rosekind,

Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. FD 35932]

Lubbock and Western Railway, L.L.C.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—West Texas and Lubbock Railway Company, Inc., and West Texas and Lubbock Railroad Company, Inc.

Lubbock and Western Railway, L.L.C. (LWR), a wholly owned noncarrier subsidiary of Watco Holdings, Inc., has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to acquire and operate approximately 9.5 miles of rail line and to lease approximately 134.75 miles of rail line from West Texas and Lubbock Railway Company, Inc., and West Texas and Lubbock Railroad Company, Inc. (WTLR). The lines being acquired and operated are located between: (1)(a) Mileposts 330.10 and 331.10 at Plainview, Tex., and (b) mileposts 367.250 and 368.250, at Dimmitt, Tex., on the Dimmitt Sub; (2)(a) mileposts 0.0 and 1.0 at Doud, Tex., and (b) mileposts 12.10 and 13.10 at Broadview, Tex., on the Broadview Sub; (3)(a) mileposts 6.0 and 8.5 at Doud, and (b) mileposts 62.90 and 63.90, at Seagraves, Tex., on the Seagraves Sub; and (4)(a) mileposts 4.70 and 5.70 at Whiteface Junction, and (b) mileposts 38.80 and 39.80 at Whiteface, Tex., on the Whiteface Sub. The lines being leased are located between: (1) Mileposts 331.10 and 367.25 on the Dimmitt Sub, (2) mileposts 1.0 and 12.10 on the Broadview Sub, (3) mileposts 8.50 and 62.90, on the Seagraves Sub, and (4) mileposts 5.70 and 38.80, on the

Whiteface Sub. In addition, LWR will also acquire by assignment approximately 5 miles of trackage rights that WTLR currently has over BNSF Railway Company's line between milepost 88.6 at Canyon Jct., Tex., and milepost 83.6 at Broadview.

This transaction is related to a concurrently filed verified notice of exemption in *Watco Holdings, Inc.—Continuance in Control Exemption—Lubbock & Western Railway*, Docket No. FD 35933, wherein Watco Holdings, Inc., seeks Board approval to continue in control of LWR, upon LWR's becoming a Class III rail carrier.

The parties intend to consummate the transaction after the effective date of the verified notice of exemption.

LWR certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not result in the creation of a Class II or Class I rail carrier. Because LWR's projected annual revenues will exceed \$5 million, LWR certified to the Board on May 19, 2015, that it had complied with the requirements of 49 CFR 1150.32(e) on May 18, 2015, by providing notice to employees of WTLR on the affected lines.¹ Under 49 CFR 1150.32(e), this exemption cannot become effective until 60 days after the date notice was provided, which would be July 18, 2015.

LWR states that the agreement with WTLR does not contain any provision that prohibits it from interchanging traffic with a third party or limits its ability to interchange with a third party.

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 effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions to stay must be filed no later than July 10, 2015 (at least 7 days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 35932, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423–0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Karl Morell, 655 Fifteenth Street NW., Suite 225, Washington, DC 20005.

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Decided: June 2, 2015.

¹ In its May 19 letter to the Board, LWR stated that there are no union employees at WTLR.

By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Brendetta S. Jones,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. FD 35931]

Watco Holdings, Inc.—Continuance in Control Exemption—Texas New Mexico Railway, L.L.C.

Watco Holdings, Inc. (Watco), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption pursuant to 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2) to continue in control of Texas New Mexico Railway, L.L.C. (TNMR), upon TNMR's becoming a Class III rail carrier. Watco owns, indirectly, 100 percent of the issued and outstanding stock of TNMR, a limited liability company.

This transaction is related to a concurrently filed verified notice of exemption in *Texas New Mexico Railway—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Austin & Northwestern Railroad*, Docket No. FD 35930, wherein TNMR seeks Board approval to acquire and operate approximately 104.191 miles of rail line owned by Austin & Northwestern Railway Company, Inc., between milepost 0.079 at Monahans, Tex., and milepost 104.27 at Lovington, NM.

The transaction may be consummated on or after June 20, 2015, the effective date of the exemption (30 days after the notice of exemption was filed).

Watco is a Kansas corporation that currently controls, indirectly, one Class II rail carrier, and 30 Class III rail carriers, collectively operating in 22 states. For a complete list of these rail carriers, and the states in which they operate, see Watco's notice of exemption filed on May 21, 2015. The notice is available on the Board's Web site at WWW.STB.DOT.GOV.

Watco represents that: (1) The rail lines to be operated by TNMR do not connect with any of the rail lines operated by the carriers in the Watco corporate family; (2) the transaction is not a part of a series of anticipated transactions that would result in such a connection; and (3) the transaction does not involve a Class I carrier. Therefore, the transaction is exempt from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323. See 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2).

Watco states that the purpose of the transaction is to reduce overhead expenses, coordinate billing,

maintenance, mechanical, and personnel policies and practices of its rail carrier subsidiaries, and thereby improve the overall efficiency of rail service provided by the railroads in the Watco corporate family.

Under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), the Board may not use its exemption authority to relieve a rail carrier of its statutory obligation to protect the interests of its employees. Because the transaction involves the control of one Class II and one or more Class III rail carriers, the transaction is subject to the labor protection requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11326(b) and *Wisconsin Central Ltd.—Acquisition Exemption—Lines of Union Pacific Railroad*, 2 S.T.B. 218 (1997).

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 effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions for stay must be filed by June 12, 2015 (at least seven days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 35931, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Karl Morell, Karl Morell & Associates, 655 Fifteenth Street NW., Suite 225, Washington, DC 20005.

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By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell,
Director, Office of Proceedings.

Brendetta S. Jones,

Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposals, Submissions, and Approvals

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.

ACTION: 60-day notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501-3519 (PRA), the Surface Transportation Board (Board) gives notice of its intent to request from the Office of Management

and Budget (OMB) approval without change of the six existing collections described below.

Comments are requested concerning each collection as to (1) whether the particular collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Board, including whether the collection has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the Board's burden estimates; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, when appropriate. Submitted comments will be included and/or summarized in the Board's request for OMB approval.

DATES: Written comments are due on August 4, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Marilyn Levitt, Surface Transportation Board, Suite 1260, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001, or to levittm@stb.dot.gov. Comments should be identified as "Paperwork Reduction Act Comments," and should refer to the title and control number of the specific collection(s) commented upon.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collection(s) contact Pedro Ramirez at (202) 245-0333 or ramirezp@stb.dot.gov [Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) for the hearing impaired: (800) 877-8339].

In this notice the Board is requesting comments on the following information collections:

Subjects:

Collection Number 1

Title: Quarterly Report of Revenues, Expenses, and Income—Railroads (Form RE&I).

OMB Control Number: 2140-0013.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Extension without change.

Respondents: Class I railroads.

Number of Respondents: Seven.

Estimated Time per Response: 6 hours.

Frequency of Response: Quarterly.

Total Annual Hour Burden: 168 hours annually.

Total Annual "Non Hour Burden"
Cost: No "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this collection have been identified.

Needs and Uses: This collection is a report of railroad operating revenues, operating expenses and income items; it is a profit and loss statement, disclosing net railway operating income on a

quarterly and year-to-date basis for the current and prior years. See 49 CFR 1243.1. The Board uses the information in this report to ensure competitive, efficient, and safe transportation through general oversight programs that monitor and forecast the financial and operating condition of railroads, and through regulation of railroad rate and service issues and rail restructuring proposals, including railroad mergers, consolidations, acquisitions of control, and abandonments. Information from these reports is used by the Board, other Federal agencies, and industry groups to monitor and assess industry growth and operations, detect changes in carrier financial stability, and identify trends that may affect the national transportation system. Some of the information from these reports is compiled by the Board in our quarterly Selected Earnings Data Report, which is published on the Board's Web site, http://www.stb.dot.gov/stb/industry/econ_reports.html. The information contained in these reports is not available from any other source.

Collection Number 2

Title: Quarterly Condensed Balance Sheet—Railroads (Form CBS).

OMB Control Number: 2140-0014.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Extension without change.

Respondents: Class I railroads.

Number of Respondents: Seven.

Estimated Time per Response: Six hours.

Frequency of Response: Quarterly.

Total Annual Hour Burden: 168 hours annually.

Total Annual "Non-Hour Burden"
Cost: No "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this collection have been identified.

Needs and Uses: This collection shows the balance, quarterly and cumulative, for the current and prior year of the carrier's assets and liabilities, gross capital expenditures, and revenue tons carried. See 49 CFR 1243.2. The Board uses the information in this report to ensure competitive, efficient, and safe transportation through general oversight programs that monitor and forecast the financial and operating condition of railroads, and through specific regulation of railroad rate and service issues and rail restructuring proposals, including railroad mergers, consolidations, acquisitions of control, and abandonments. Information from these reports is used by the Board, other Federal agencies, and industry groups to assess industry growth and operations, detect changes in carrier financial stability, and identify trends that may