

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34179, 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 David C. Dillon, Esq., Dillon & Nash, 111 West Washington Street, Suite 719, Chicago, IL 60602.

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Decided: March 7, 2002.

By the Board, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34174]

Grand Trunk Western Railroad Incorporated—Trackage Rights Exemption—Pennsylvania Lines LLC and Norfolk Southern Railway Company

Pennsylvania Lines LLC (PRR), as owner, and Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NS), as operator, pursuant to a written trackage rights agreement entered into among Grand Trunk Western Railroad Incorporated, PRR and NS, have agreed to grant nonexclusive overhead trackage rights to GTW¹ between milepost UW-2.4 of the former Chicago Junction Railway Company to a point approximately 250 feet south of 43rd Street via Tracks #237 and #222, and between 43rd Street and a point approximately 100 feet south of 43rd Street, via Track #224, all in Chicago, IL, a total distance of approximately 0.7 miles.

¹ GTW is a wholly owned subsidiary of Canadian National Railway Company.

The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on or after March 7, 2002, the effective date of the exemption.

The purpose of the trackage rights is to allow GTW to connect with Track #224.

As a condition to this exemption, any employees affected by the trackage rights will be protected by the conditions imposed in *Norfolk and Western Ry. Co.—Trackage Rights—BN*, 354 I.C.C. 605 (1978), as modified in *Mendocino Coast Ry. Inc.—Lease and Operate*, 360 I.C.C. 653 (1980).

This notice is filed under 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(7). If it 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. 34174, 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, one copy of each pleading must be served on Michael J. Barron, Jr., 455 North Cityfront Plaza Drive, Chicago, IL 60611-5317.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (VA)

President's Task Force To Improve Health Care Delivery for Our Nation's Veterans, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 that a meeting of the President's Task Force to Improve Health Care Delivery for Our Nation's Veterans

scheduled to take place on Wednesday, March 13, 2002, beginning at 8:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Horizon Ballroom, the Ronald Reagan Building International Trade Center, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, and is open to the public.

The purpose of the President's Task Force to Improve Health Care Delivery for Our Nation's Veterans is to:

(a) Identify ways to improve benefits and services for Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) beneficiaries and for Department of Defense (DoD) military retirees who are also eligible from VA, through better coordination of the activities of the two departments;

(b) Review barriers and challenges that impede VA and DoD coordination, including budgeting processes, timely billing, cost accounting, information technology, and reimbursement.

Identify opportunities to improve such business practices to ensure high quality and cost effective health care; and

(c) Identify opportunities for improved resource utilization through partnership between VA and DoD to maximize the use of resources and infrastructure, including: buildings, information technology and data sharing systems, procurement of supplies, equipment and services, and delivery of care.

During this meeting, the Task Force work groups will continue to obtain current and updated information and to validate and/or clarify that information. The work groups will make presentations on the various topics to the members.

Interested parties can provide written comments to Mr. Dan Amon, Communications Director, President's Task Force to Improve Health Care Delivery for Our Nation's Veterans, 1401 Wilson Boulevard, 4th Floor, Arlington, Virginia, 22209.

Dated: March 5, 2002.

By direction of the Secretary.

Nora E. Egan,

Committee Management Officer.

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