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SERVICE DATE - OCTOBER 23, 2003

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

STB Finance Docket No. 34392

NEW JERSEY RAIL CARRIER LLC  
– ACQUISITION AND OPERATION EXEMPTION –  
FORMER COLUMBIA TERMINALS, KEARNY, NJ

Decided: October 22, 2003

By motion filed on October 20, 2003, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) requests an extension, until December 3, 2003, of the deadline for filing its reply to the additional information on the acquisition and operation exemption at issue in this proceeding filed by New Jersey Rail Carrier, LLC (NJ Rail) on October 14, 2003, as outlined in the Board's decision served on August 13, 2003, staying the effectiveness of the exemption. NJDEP states that an extension is necessary to allow continued discussions with NJ Rail, the party proposing the exemption, with a view towards resolving the outstanding issues. NJDEP represents that NJ Rail does not object to the extension. The extension appears reasonable and will be granted.

It is ordered:

1. The deadline for NJDEP to file its reply is extended to December 3, 2003.
2. This decision is effective on its date of service.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary