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SERVICE DATE - JULY 14, 1999

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

STB Finance Docket No. 33762

DENVER ROCK ISLAND RAILROAD
— ALTERNATIVE RAIL SERVICE—
LINES OF KANSAS SOUTHWESTERN RAILWAY, L.L.C.

Decided: July 13, 1999

By petition filed on July 9, 1999, the Denver Rock Island Railroad (DRI) requests that we extend to August 15, 1999, the service authorization approved under 49 U.S.C. 11123 and 49 CFR 1146 in our decision served in this proceeding on June 16, 1999. DRI asserts that the facts remain the same as in its petition leading to this decision, except that the line in question has been reopened for service. DRI further represents that the owner of the line, Kansas Southwestern Railway, L.L.C., has no plans to provide service during this period and does not object to DRI's request for an extension. According to DRI, a major shipper on the line, Stafford County Flour Mills Company, supports DRI's request for an extension. The requested extension appears reasonable and will be granted.

This action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

It is ordered:

1. DRI's petition for an extension is granted, and it is authorized to perform service on the line until 11:59 p.m. on August 15, 1999.
2. This decision is effective on its date of service.

By the Board, Chairman Morgan, Vice Chairman Clyburn and Commissioner Burkes.

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary