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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 33620]

State of Oklahoma by and through the Oklahoma Department of Transportation--

Acquisition Exemption--The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company

The State of Oklahoma, a noncarrier, by and through the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to acquire approximately 124.78 miles of rail line from The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company. ODOT will acquire the lines between: (1) between Oklahoma City, OK (milepost 536.4) and Sapulpa, OK (milepost 438.9), (2) between Pawnee Junction, OK (milepost 8.46) and Stillwater, OK (milepost 30.74), and (3) between Midwest City, OK (milepost 2.9) (EPS 15944+14) and the end of track (milepost 7.9) (EPS 16204+29).

The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on or shortly after June 19, 1998.

Stillwater Central Railroad, Inc. (SCRR), a noncarrier, has filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 in STB Finance Docket No. 33621, Stillwater Central Railroad, Inc.--Lease and Operation Exemption--Oklahoma Department of Transportation, wherein SCRR seeks to lease and operate the lines being acquired by ODOT.

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 does not automatically stay the transaction.

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An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 33620, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Eric M. Hocky, Esq., Gollatz, Griffin, & Ewing, P.C., 213 W. Miner Street, P.O. Box 796, West Chester, PA 19381-0796.

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Decided: July 1, 1998.

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

Vernon A. Williams

Secretary