

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

STB Finance Docket No. 33286

NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORPORATION AND
NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY
--CONTROL--
CONRAIL INC. AND CONSOLIDATED RAIL CORPORATION

Decision No. 6

Decided: April 16, 1997

On November 6, 1996, Norfolk Southern Corporation and Norfolk Southern Railway Company (collectively, NS), filed a notice of intent to file an application seeking Board authorization for the acquisition by NS of control of Conrail Inc. and Consolidated Rail Corporation (collectively, Conrail).

On April 10, 1997, NS filed a motion to dismiss this proceeding because it no longer anticipates filing an application for approval of the transaction contemplated in the notice of intent filed November 6, 1996.

Because NS has effectively withdrawn the notice of intent filed November 6, 1996, this proceeding will be discontinued.¹

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

It is ordered:

1. This proceeding is discontinued.
2. This decision is effective on the date of service.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary

¹ On April 10, 1997, a new notice of intent was filed by (a) CSX Corporation and CSX Transportation, Inc. (collectively, CSX), (b) NS, and (c) Conrail. The notice of intent filed April 10, 1997, which was filed in STB Finance Docket No. 33388, indicates that CSX, NS, and Conrail intend to file an application seeking Board authorization for, among other things, (i) the acquisition by CSX and NS of control of Conrail, and (ii) the division of the assets of Conrail by and between CSX and NS. Notice of the transaction contemplated in the notice of intent filed April 10, 1997, will be published in the *Federal Register* no later than May 9, 1997.