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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

STB Finance Docket No. 34038

JEFFERSON TERMINAL RAILROAD COMPANY
– PETITION FOR EXEMPTION –
ACQUISITION AND OPERATION OF A RAIL LINE IN DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Decided: May 17, 2001

By petition filed on April 27, 2001, pursuant to 49 CFR 1121, the Jefferson Terminal Railroad Company (Jefferson) requested an exemption from the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 10901 to allow its acquisition and operation of approximately 1.01 miles of track in Detroit, MI.

By letter dated May 15, 2001, Jefferson informed the Board that it wishes to withdraw its petition. According to Jefferson, a dispute with the City of Detroit has put into question its ability to use a portion of the 1.01 miles of the track for the purposes stated in its petition. Jefferson states that it expects that, once all of the issues in this dispute are resolved, it will resubmit to the Board an appropriate petition for exemption.

In light of Jefferson's letter withdrawing its petition, the petition will be dismissed, without prejudice to Jefferson's ability to file an appropriate petition for exemption in the future.

It is ordered:

1. The petition for exemption in this proceeding is dismissed without prejudice.
2. This decision is effective on its date of service.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary