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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 33691]

Chattooga and Chickamauga Railway Company--Acquisition and Operation Exemption--  
Line of Central of Georgia Railroad Company

The Chattooga and Chickamauga Railway Company (CCKY), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to acquire from Central of Georgia Railroad Company (COG) the right to conduct common carrier freight operations over approximately 48.9 miles of rail line extending between milepost CC-445.4 near Chattanooga, Hamilton County, TN, and milepost CC-396.5 near Lyerly, Chattanooga County, GA.<sup>1</sup>

The transaction was scheduled to take place as soon as possible after the December 17, 1998 effective date of the notice of exemption.

This transaction is related to STB Finance Docket No. 33690, State of Georgia, Department of Transportation--Acquisition Exemption--Line of Central of Georgia Railroad Company, wherein the State of Georgia, through its Department of Transportation is acquiring certain railroad assets of COG, including the above-noted 48.9-mile line of railroad, but not including the right to conduct common carrier freight operations.

If the notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio.

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<sup>1</sup> CCKY currently conducts operations over the line pursuant to its lease agreement with COG.

Petitions to reopen the proceeding to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the transaction.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 33691, 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 William G. Burgin, Jr., 201 19th Street North, P.O. Box 1109, Columbus, MS 38701.

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Decided: December 31, 1998.

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

Vernon A. Williams

Secretary