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STB ISSUES DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR PROPOSED ACQUISITIONS OF RAIL LINE IN ALABAMA AND MISSISSIPPI

The Surface Transportation Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) today issued a Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA) for CSX Transportation Inc.'s (CSX) request for Board authority to acquire and operate the assets comprising the rail line of Meridian & Bigbee Railroad, L.L.C. (MNBR) that runs approximately 93.7 miles between Burkville and Myrtlewood, Alabama, and Canadian Pacific Kansas City Limited's (CPKC) request to acquire from MNBR and to operate approximately 50.4 miles of rail line between Meridian, Mississippi, and Myrtlewood, Alabama.

The Draft EA analyzes the potential environmental impacts of both the CSX and the CPKC transactions. OEA invites the public to review and submit comments on all aspects of the Draft EA. Comments are due by April 17, 2024.

The Draft EA for both the CSXT and CPKC transactions, [CSX Transportation, Inc.– Acquisition and Operation–Rail Line of Meridian & Bigbee Railroad, L.L.C.](#), Docket No. FD 36727, and [Canadian Pacific Kansas City Limited and the Kansas City Southern Railway Company, D/B/A CPKC – Acquisition and Operation–Certain Rail Line of Meridian & Bigbee Railroad, L.L.C., in Lauderdale County, Miss. and Choctaw and Marengo Counties, Ala.](#), Docket No. FD 36732, may be viewed and downloaded from the following links: [Draft EA](#), [Appendices](#).

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