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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB-31 (Sub-No. 32X)]

Grand Trunk Western Railroad Incorporated—Abandonment Exemption—in Oakland County, MI

On July 20, 1998, Grand Trunk Western Railroad Incorporated (GTW) filed with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) a petition under 49 U.S.C. 10502 for exemption from the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 10903 to abandon a 3.1-mile line of railroad known as the Jackson Spur extending between milepost 35.3 at Pontiac and milepost 38.4 at Sylvan Lake, in Oakland County, MI. The line traverses U.S. Postal Service Zip Codes 48341 and 48320 and includes no stations.

The line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in GTW's possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it.

The interest of railroad employees will be protected by the conditions set forth in *Oregon Short Line R. Co.—Abandonment—Goshen*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979).

By issuance of this notice, the Board is instituting an exemption proceeding pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10502(b). A final decision will be issued by November 6, 1998.

Any offer of financial assistance (OFA) under 49 CFR 1152.27(b)(2) will be due no later than 10 days after service of a decision granting the petition for exemption. Each offer must be accompanied by a \$1,000 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

All interested persons should be aware that, following abandonment of rail service and salvage of the line, the line may be suitable for other public use, including interim trail use. Any request for a public use condition under 49 CFR 1152.28 or for trail use/rail banking under 49 CFR 1152.29 will be due no later than August 27, 1998. Each trail use request must be accompanied by a \$150 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(27).

All filings in response to this notice must refer to STB Docket No. AB-31 (Sub-No. 32X) and must be sent to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K

Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423-0001, and (2) Robert P. vom Eigen, Hopkins & Sutter, 888 Sixteenth Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20006. Replies to the GTW petition are due on or before August 27, 1998.

Persons seeking further information concerning abandonment procedures may contact the Board's Office of Public Services at (202) 565-1592 or refer to the full abandonment or discontinuance regulations at 49 CFR part 1152. Questions concerning environmental issues may be directed to the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) at (202) 565-1545. [TDD for the hearing impaired is available at (202) 565-1695.]

An environmental assessment (EA) (or environmental impact statement (EIS), if necessary) prepared by SEA will be served upon all parties of record and upon any agencies or other persons who commented during its preparation. Other interested persons may contact SEA to obtain a copy of the EA (or EIS). EAs in these abandonment proceedings normally will be made available within 60 days of the filing of the petition. The deadline for submission of comments on the EA will generally be within 30 days of its service.

Board decisions and notices are available on our website at "WWW.STB.DOT.GOV."

Decided: August 3, 1998.

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

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Departmental Offices within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the OMB Control Number 1505-0080, Post-Contract Award Information.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before October 6, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Department of the Treasury, Departmental Offices, Angelie Jackson, Office of Procurement, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, c/o 1310 G Street, NW, Suite 4W101, Washington, DC 20220, (202) 622-0245; angelie.jackson@treas.sprint.com.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the forms(s) and instructions should be directed to Department of the Treasury, Departmental Offices, Angelie Jackson, Office of Procurement, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, c/o 1310 G Street, NW, Suite 4W101, Washington, DC 20220, (202) 622-0245; angelie.jackson@treas.sprint.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Post-Award Contract Information.

OMB Number: 1505-0080.

Abstract: This notice provides a request to continue including the designated OMB Control Number on information requested from contractors. The information requested is specific to each contract and is required for Treasury to evaluate properly the progress made and/or management controls used by contractors providing supplies or services to the Government and to determine contractors' compliance with the contracts, in order to protect the Government's interest.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to the notice at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses and individuals contracting with the Department of the Treasury.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,565.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 14 hours, 46 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 82,218.

Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to

minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: July 30, 1998.

Angelie Jackson,

Procurement Analyst.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Department Offices within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the OMB Control Number 1505-0081, Solicitation of Proposal Information for Award of Public Contracts.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before October 6, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Department of the Treasury, Departmental Offices, Angelie Jackson, Office of Procurement, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, c/o 1310 G Street, NW, Suite 4W101, Washington, DC 20220, (202) 622-0245; angelie.jackson@treas.sprint.com.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Solicitation of Proposal Information for Award of Public Contracts.

OMB Number: 1505-0081.

Abstract: This notice provides a request to continue including the

designated OMB Control Number on information requested from prospective contractors. The information requested is specific to each acquisition solicitation, and is required for Treasury to evaluate properly the capabilities and experience of potential contractors who desire to provide the supplies and/or services to be acquired. Evaluation will be used to determine which proposals most benefit the Government.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to the notice at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses and individuals seeking contracting opportunities with the Department of the Treasury.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 29,183.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 31 hours, 2 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 905,743.

Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: July 30, 1998.

Angelie Jackson,

Procurement Analyst.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and

other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Departmental Offices within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the OMB Control Number 1505-0107, Regulation on Agency Protests.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 25, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Department of the Treasury, Departmental Offices, Angelie Jackson, Office of Procurement, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, c/o 1310 G Street, NW, Suite 4W101, Washington, DC 20220, (202) 622-0245; angelie.jackson@treas.sprint.com.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to Department of the Treasury, Departmental Offices, Angelie Jackson, Office of Procurement, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, c/o 1310 G Street, NW, Suite 4W101, Washington, DC 20220, (202) 622-0245; angelie.jackson@treas.sprint.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Regulation on Protests.

OMB Number: 1505-0107.

Abstract: This notice provides a request to continue including the designated OMB Control Number on information requested from contractors. The information is requested from contractors so that the Government will be able to evaluate protests effectively and provide prompt resolution of issues in dispute when contractors file agency level protests.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to the notice at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses and individuals seeking and who are currently contracting with the Department of the Treasury.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 17.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 2 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 34.

Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of