

having fishing environments that do not pose a danger to sea turtles. Sixteen nations have shrimping grounds only in cold waters where the risk of taking sea turtles is negligible: Argentina, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Russia, Sweden, the United Kingdom, and Uruguay. Ten nations and one economy only harvest shrimp using small boats with crews of less than five that use manual rather than mechanical means to retrieve nets or catch shrimp using other methods that do not threaten sea turtles. Use of such small-scale technology does not adversely affect sea turtles. The 10 nations and one economy are: The Bahamas, Belize, China, the Dominican Republic, Fiji, Hong Kong, Jamaica, Oman, Peru, Sri Lanka, and Venezuela.

A completed DS-2031 Shrimp Exporter's/Importer's Declaration must accompany all shipments of shrimp or shrimp product into the United States. Only shrimp or products from shrimp harvested in the 40 certified nations and one economy listed above may be accompanied by a DS-2031 with Box 7(B) checked. All DS-2031 forms accompanying shrimp imports from uncertified nations must be originals with Box 7(A)(1), 7(A)(2), or 7(A)(4) checked, consistent with the form's instructions with regard to the method of production of the product and based on any relevant prior determinations by the Department of State, and signed by a responsible government official of the harvesting nation's competent domestic fisheries authority. The Department has not determined that any uncertified nation qualifies to export shrimp or products of shrimp harvested in a manner as described in 7(A)(3).

Shrimp and products of shrimp harvested with turtle excluder devices (TEDs) in an uncertified nation may, under specific circumstances, be eligible for importation into the United States under the DS-2031 Box 7(A)(2) provision for "shrimp harvested by commercial shrimp trawl vessels using TEDs comparable in effectiveness to those required in the United States." Use of this provision requires that the Department determine in advance that the government of the harvesting nation has put in place adequate procedures to monitor the use of TEDs in the specific fishery in question and to ensure the accurate completion of the DS-2031 forms. At this time, the Department has determined that only shrimp and products of shrimp harvested in the Exmouth Gulf Prawn Fishery, the Northern Prawn Fishery, the Queensland East Coast Trawl Fishery,

and the Torres Strait Prawn Fishery in Australia and shrimp or products of shrimp harvested in the French Guiana domestic trawl fishery are eligible for entry under this provision. Thus, the importation of TED-caught shrimp from any other uncertified nation will not be allowed. A responsible government official of Australia or France must sign in Block 8 of the DS-2031 form accompanying these imports into the United States.

In addition, the Department has determined that shrimp or products of shrimp harvested in the Spencer Gulf region in Australia and Mediterranean red shrimp (*Aristeus antennatus*) harvested in the Mediterranean Sea by Spain may be exported to the United States under the DS-2031 Box 7(A)(4) provision for "shrimp harvested in a manner or under circumstances determined by the Department of State not to pose a threat of the incidental taking of sea turtles." A responsible government official of Australia or Spain must sign in Block 8 of the DS-2031 form accompanying these imports into the United States.

The Department has communicated these certifications and determinations under Section 609 to the Office of International Trade of U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

Dated: May 19, 2016.

David A. Balton,

Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and Fisheries, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, Department of State.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[FR-4915-01-P; Docket No. FD 36033]

Reading Blue Mountain & Northern Railroad Company—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Locust Valley Coal Company d/b/a Locust Valley Line

Reading Blue Mountain & Northern Railroad Company (RBMN), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to acquire from Locust Valley Coal Company d/b/a Locust Valley Line (Locust Valley), and continue to operate, approximately 5.5 miles of rail line between milepost 0.0 at Laurel Jct., also known as Maria Jct., in Delano Township, and milepost 5.5 beyond Newton Jct., south of Mahanoy City, in Mahanoy Township, in Schuylkill County, Pa. (the Line). The Line is currently being operated by RBMN.

According to RBMN, Locust Valley acquired the 5.5-mile Line but never performed operations on it.¹ RBMN states that the Line (except for approximately one mile near Laurel Jct.) has been out of service for a number of years but has never been abandoned. RBMN also states that Locust Valley rehabilitated the Line and entered into an agreement with RBMN under which RBMN would operate and provide the freight common carrier obligations over the Line.²

Under the proposed transaction, Locust Valley will sell the Line to RBMN to allow RBMN to become owner and continue operating it. According to RBMN, the transaction will also allow Locust Valley to divest itself of an asset it no longer wishes to own or needs for its business purposes. RBMN certifies that the agreement does not include an interchange commitment.

RBMN states that its projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not result in the creation of a Class II or Class I rail carrier, but that its projected annual revenues would exceed \$5 million. Accordingly, RBMN is required, at least 60 days before this exemption is to become effective, to send notice of the transaction to the national offices of the labor unions with employees on the affected lines, post a copy of the notice at the workplace of the employees on the affected lines, and certify to the Board that it has done so. 49 CFR 1150.42(e).

In the notice, RBMN requests waiver of the 60-day advance labor notice requirement under 1150.42(e), asserting that: (1) No Locust Valley employees will be affected because there are no Locust Valley employees on the Line; and (2) no RBMN employees will be affected because RBMN will continue to provide the same service as it has since 2006. RBMN's waiver request will be addressed in a separate decision.

The parties propose to consummate the transaction no sooner than June 8, 2016, the effective date exemption (30 days after the verified notice of exemption was filed). The Board will establish in the decision on the waiver request the earliest date this transaction may be consummated.

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

¹ See, *Locust Valley Coal Co. d/b/a Locust Valley Line—Acquis. Exemption—Rail Lines in Schuylkill Cty., Pa.*, FD 34642 (STB served Jan. 21, 2005).

² See, *Reading Blue Mountain & N.R.R.—Operation Exemption—Locust Valley Line*, FD 34785 (STB served Dec. 29, 2005).

automatically stay the effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions for stay must be filed no later than June 1, 2016 (at least seven days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and ten copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 36033, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on applicant's representative, Eric M. Hocky, Clark Hill PLC, One Commerce Square, 2005 Market Street, Suite 1000, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

According to RBMN, this action is categorically excluded from environmental review under 49 CFR 1105.6(c).

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at WWW.STB.DOT.GOV.

Decided: May 20, 2016.

By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Tia Delano,
Clearance Clerk.

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TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Tennessee Valley Authority.

ACTION: 60-Day notice of submission of information collection approval and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended). The Tennessee Valley Authority is soliciting public comments on this proposed collection as provided by 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1).

ADDRESSES: Requests for information, including copies of the information collection proposed and supporting documentation, should be directed to the Agency Clearance Officer: Philip D. Propes, Tennessee Valley Authority, 1101 Market Street (MP 2C), Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402-2801; (423) 751-8593.

DATES: Comments should be sent to the Agency Clearance Officer no later than July 25, 2016.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Type of Request: Reauthorization.

Title of Information Collection: Section 26a Permit Application.

Frequency of Use: On occasion.

Type of Affected Public: Individuals or households, state or local governments, farms, businesses, or other for-profit, Federal agencies or employees, non-profit institutions, small businesses or organizations.

Small Businesses or Organizations

Affected: Yes.

Federal Budget Functional Category Code: 452.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 1,800.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 3,600.

Estimated Average Burden Hours per Response: 2.0.

Need for and Use of Information: TVA Land Management activities and Section 26a of the Tennessee Valley Authority Act of 1933, as amended, require TVA to collect information relevant to projects that will impact TVA land and land rights and review and approve plans for the construction, operation, and maintenance of any dam, appurtenant works, or other obstruction affecting navigation, flood control, or public lands or reservations across, along, or in the Tennessee River or any of its tributaries. The information is collected via paper forms and/or electronic submissions and is used to assess the impact of the proposed project on TVA land or land rights and statutory TVA programs to determine if the project can be approved. Rules for implementation of TVA's Section 26a responsibilities are published in 18 CFR part 1304.

Philip D. Propes,

Director, Enterprise Information Security and Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[FMCSA Docket No. FMCSA-2015-0118]

Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Epilepsy and Seizure Disorders

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT

ACTION: Notice of final disposition.

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces its decision to exempt five individuals from the regulatory requirement that interstate commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers have "no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of epilepsy or any other condition which

is likely to cause loss of consciousness or any loss of ability to control a CMV." The exemptions enable these individuals to operate CMVs in interstate commerce.

DATES: The exemptions were effective on October 22, 2015. The exemptions expire on October 22, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Christine A. Hydock, Chief, Medical Programs Division, (202) 366-4001, fmcsamedical@dot.gov, FMCSA, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W64-113, Washington, DC 20590-0001. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Electronic Access

You may see all the comments online through the Federal Document Management System (FDMS) at: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and/or Room W12-140 on the ground level of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Privacy Act: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at www.dot.gov/privacy.

II. Background

On September 21, 2015, FMCSA published a notice announcing receipt of applications from eight individuals requesting an exemption from the prohibition against persons with a clinical diagnosis of epilepsy or any other condition that is likely to cause a loss of consciousness or any loss of ability to operate a CMV in interstate commerce and requested comments from the public (80 FR 57036). The public comment period closed on October 21, 2015, and 13 comments were received.

FMCSA has evaluated the eligibility of these applicants and determined that granting the exemptions to five individuals would achieve a level of safety equivalent to or greater than the level that would be achieved by complying with the current regulation 49 CFR 391.41(b)(8).