vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines that in accordance with Pub. L. 105–383 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388 (65 FR 6905; February 11, 2000) that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels, a waiver will not be granted.

DATES: Submit comments on or before August 23, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2002-12890. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, Department of Transportation, 400 7th St., SW., Washington, DC 20590–0001. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at http:// dmses.dot.gov/submit/. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available on the World Wide Web at http://dms.dot.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathleen Dunn, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, MAR–832 Room 7201, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202–366–2307.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title V of Pub. L. 105–383 provides authority to the Secretary of Transportation to administratively waive the U.S.-build requirements of the Jones Act, and other statutes, for small commercial passenger vessels (no more than 12 passengers). This authority has been delegated to the Maritime Administration per 49 CFR § 1.66, Delegations to the Maritime Administrator, as amended. By this notice, MARAD is publishing information on a vessel for which a request for a U.S.-build waiver has been received, and for which MARAD requests comments from interested parties. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD'S regulations at 46 CFR Part 388.

Vessel Proposed for Waiver of the U.S.-Build Requirement

(1) Name of vessel and owner for which waiver is requested.

Name of vessel: TORTUGA. Owner: James A. Williams and Stephanie L. Rice.

(2) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel. According to the applicant: "Length—48.6', Breadth—15.5', Depth—6.5', Capacity—To carry 12 or fewer passengers, Tonnage—Gross 32 tons."

(3) Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. According to the applicant: "The intended use of the vessel is to carry 12 or fewer passengers for weekend boat and breakfast charter trips." "The vessel will be used in the Chesapeake Bay from Annapolis, Maryland down the East Coast, around the Florida Keys and the West Coast of Florida in the Gulf of Mexico."

(4) Date and Place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. *Date of construction:* 1971. *Place of construction:* Hong Kong, China.

(5) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on other commercial passenger vessel operators. According to the applicant: "To the best of my knowledge there will be no adverse effect on other commercial passenger vessel operators in the area. I am not aware of any commercial passengers operators doing the types of trips I plan to make."

(6) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on U.S. shipyards. According to the applicant: "To the best of my knowledge the possible impact that my operation will have on U.S. Shipyards is the repair business for my vessel as a result of the approval of this waiver."

Dated: July 19, 2002.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator. **Joel C. Richard**,

Secretary, Maritime Administration. [FR Doc. 02–18719 Filed 7–23–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–81–P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Announcing the Ninth Quarterly Meeting of the Crash Injury Research and Engineering Network (CIREN)

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), DOT. **ACTION:** Meeting Announcement.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the Ninth Quarterly Meeting of members of the Crash Injury Research and Engineering Network. CIREN is a collaborative effort to conduct research on crashes and injuries at ten Level 1 Trauma Centers linked by a computer network. Researchers can review data and share expertise, which could lead to a better understanding of crash injury mechanisms and the design of safer vehicles.

DATE AND TIME: The meeting is scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 22, 2002.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Harborview Medical Center's Research and Training Building Auditorium at 9th and Alder St., Seattle, WA. (Hosted by the Seattle CIREN center)

To Register for This Event: Please visit the Seattle CIREN team's Web site at www.hiprc.org and locate the CIREN conference announcement.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The CIREN System has been established and crash cases have been entered into the database by each Center. CIREN cases may be viewed from the NHTSA/CIREN Web site at: http://wwwnrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/departments/nrd-50/ ciren/CIREN.html. NHTSA has held three Annual Conferences where CIREN research results were presented. Further information about the three previous CIREN conferences is also available through the NHTSA Web site. NHTSA held the first quarterly meeting on May 5, 2000, with a topic of lower extremity injuries in motor vehicle crashes; the second quarterly meeting on July 21, 2000, with a topic of side impact crashes; the third quarterly meeting on November 30, 2000, with a topic of thoracic injuries in crashes; the fourth quarterly meeting on March 16, 2001, with a topic of offset frontal collisions; the fifth quarterly meeting on June 21, 2001, on CIREN outreach efforts; the sixth quarterly meeting (held in Ann Arbor, Michigan) with a topic of injuries involving sport utility vehicles, the seventh quarterly meeting on December 6, 2001, with a topic of Age Related Injuries (Elderly and Children), and the eighth quarterly meeting on April 25, 2002, with a topic of Head and Traumatic Brain Injuries. Presentations from these meetings are available through the NHTSA Web site.

NHTSA plans to continue holding quarterly meetings on a regular basis to disseminate CIREN information to interested parties. This is the ninth such meeting. The ten CIREN Centers will be presenting papers on the research specialty for their particular center regarding crash injury mechanisms. Subsequent meetings have tentatively been scheduled for December 2002 and April 2003. These meetings are in lieu of an annual CIREN conference.

Should it be necessary to cancel the meeting due to inclement weather or to

any other emergencies, a decision to cancel will be made as soon as possible and posted immediately on NHTSA's Web site http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/nhtsa/announce/meetings/. If you do not have access to the Web site, you may call the contact listed below and leave your telephone or fax number. You will be called only if the meeting is postponed or canceled.

For Further Information Contact NHTSA or SEATTLE CIREN CENTER at: NHTSA—Catherine McCullough, Office of Human-Centered Research, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Room 6220, Washington, DC 20590, telephone: (202) 366–4734.

CIREN SEATTLE—Rob Kaufman, Harborview Injury Prevention and Research Center, 325 Ninth Ave., Box 359960, Seattle, WA 98104. Telephone: (206) 521–1533.

Issued on: July 17, 2002.

Raymond P. Owings,

Associate Administrator for Research and Development, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

[STB Finance Docket No. 34204]

South Kansas and Oklahoma Railroad Company—Lease Exemption—The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company

South Kansas and Oklahoma Railroad Company (SKO), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to lease from The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) 6.22 miles of rail line located between milepost 139.10 near Pittsburg, KS, and milepost 145.32, near Cherokee, KS. SKO will be the operator of the property.

Because SKO's projected annual revenues will exceed \$5 million, SKO certified to the Board on May 3, 2002, that it sent the required notice of the transaction to the national offices of all labor unions representing employees on the line and posted a copy of the notice at the workplace of the employees on the affected lines on April 25, 2002. See 49 CFR 1150.42(e).

The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on or shortly after July 2, 2002 (60 days after SKO's certification to the Board that it had complied with the Board's rule at 49 CFR 1150.42(e)).

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. 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. 34204, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423–0001. In addition, a copy of the each pleading must be served on Karl Morell, Ball Janik LLP, Suite 225, 1455 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005.

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Decided: July 16, 2002. By the Board, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34218 (Sub-No. 1)]

The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company—Trackage Rights Exemption-Union Pacific Railroad Company

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of exemption.

SUMMARY: The Board, under 49 U.S.C. 10502, exempts the trackage rights described in STB Finance Docket No. 34218¹ to permit the trackage rights agreement to expire on August 16, 2002. **DATES:** This exemption is effective on August 15, 2002. Petitions to reopen must be filed by August 5, 2002.

ADDRESSES: An original and 10 copies of all pleadings referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34218 (Sub-No. 1) must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423–0001. In addition, a copy of

all pleadings must be served on Michael E. Roper, The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company, 2500 Lou Menk Drive, P.O. Box 961039, Fort Worth, TX.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joseph H. Dettmar (202) 565–1600. [TDD for the hearing impaired 1–800–877–8339.]

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Additional information is contained in the Board's decision. To purchase a copy of the full decision, write to, call, or pick up in person from: Dā 2 Dā Legal Copy Service, Suite 405, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006. Telephone: (202) 293–7776. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through TDD services 1–800–877–8339].

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Decided: July 17, 2002.

By the Board, Chairman Morgan and Vice Chairman Burkes.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Transportation Security Administration

Criteria for Certification of Explosives Trace Detection Systems

AGENCY: Transportation Security Administration (TSA) DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice discusses the criteria that an Explosive Trace
Detection system (ETD) must satisfy in order to be certified by TSA (hereinafter referred to as the criteria). The criteria establish minimum acceptable performance in detecting and identifying trace amounts of explosives at levels indicative of contamination from the presence of explosive material or from proximity or contact with suspect individuals who handled explosive material. The criteria also establish certain minimum acceptable operational requirements.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard Burdette, Office of Information and Security Technology, Transportation Security Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, telephone (202) 267–7398.

 $^{^{\}mbox{\tiny 1}}$ On June 10, 2002, The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) filed a notice of exemption under the Board's class exemption procedures at 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(7). The notice covered the trackage rights agreement by Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) to grant temporary overhead trackage rights to BNSF between UP milepost 428.7 at Klamath Falls, OR, and UP milepost 141.9 at Binney Junction (Marysville), CA, a total distance of approximately 286.8 miles. See The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company—Trackage Rights Exemption—Union Pacific Railroad Company, STB Finance Docket No. 34218 (STB served June 28, 2002). The trackage rights operations under the exemption became effective and were scheduled to be consummated on June 17, 2002.