

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB-57 (Sub-No. 56X)]

Soo Line Railroad Company d/b/a Canadian Pacific Railway Company—Abandonment Exemption in Bottineau, Rolette, and Towner Counties, ND

Soo Line Railroad Company d/b/a Canadian Pacific Railway Company (CPR) has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments* to abandon an approximately 61-mile line of railroad between milepost 535 +/- (in Kramer) and milepost 474.5 +/- (in Bisbee), in Bottineau, Rolette, and Towner Counties, ND. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 58748, 58384, 58366, 58353, and 58317.

CPR has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) all overhead traffic can and has been rerouted over other lines; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the line (or by a state or local government entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the line either is pending with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) or with any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of complainant within the 2-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.7 (environmental report), 49 CFR 1105.8 (historic report), 49 CFR 1105.11 (transmittal letter), 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication), and 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice to governmental agencies) have been met.¹

As a condition to this exemption, any employee adversely affected by the abandonment shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line R. Co.—Abandonment—Goshen*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979). To address whether this condition adequately protects affected employees, a petition for partial revocation under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) must be filed.

Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) has been received, this exemption will be effective on October 7, 2008, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues,²

formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2),³ and trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by September 15, 2008. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by September 25, 2008, with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001.

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to CPR's representative: W. Karl Hansen, Leonard, Street and Deinard, 150 South Fifth Street, Suite 2300, Minneapolis, MN 55402.

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

CPR has filed environmental and historic reports that address the effects, if any, of the abandonment on the environment and historic resources. SEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by September 12, 2008. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA by writing to SEA (Room 1100, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423-0001) or by calling SEA, at (202) 245-0305. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.] Comments on environmental and historic preservation matters must be filed within 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public.

Environmental, historic preservation, public use, or trail use/rail banking conditions will be imposed, where appropriate, in a subsequent decision.

Pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), CPR shall file a notice of consummation with the Board to signify that it has exercised the authority granted and fully abandoned the line. If consummation has not been effected by CPR's filing of a notice of consummation by September 5, 2009, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at "<http://www.stb.dot.gov>."

Decided: August 27, 2008.

so that the Board may take appropriate action before the exemption's effective date.

³ Effective July 18, 2008, the filing fee for an OFA increased to \$1,500. See *Regulations Governing Fees for Services Performed in Connection with Licensing and Related Services-2008 Update*, STB Ex Parte No. 542 (Sub-No. 15) (STB served June 18, 2008).

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

Anne K. Quinlan,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Additional Designation of Individuals and Entities Pursuant to Executive Order 12978

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC") is publishing the names of eight newly-designated individuals and entities whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995, "Blocking Assets and Prohibiting Transactions with Significant Narcotics Traffickers."

DATES: The designation by the Director of OFAC of the eight individuals and entities identified in this notice pursuant to Executive Order 12978 is effective on August 28, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Assistant Director, Compliance Outreach & Implementation, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20220, tel.: 202/622-2490.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Electronic and Facsimile Availability**

This document and additional information concerning OFAC are available from OFAC's Web site (<http://www.treas.gov/ofac>) or via facsimile through a 24-hour fax-on-demand service, tel.: (202) 622-0077.

Background

On October 21, 1995, the President, invoking the authority, *inter alia*, of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701-1706), issued Executive Order 12978 (60 Fed. Reg. 54579, October 24, 1995) (the "Order"). In the Order, the President declared a national emergency to deal with the threat posed by significant foreign narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia and the harm that they cause in the United States and abroad.

Section 1 of the Order blocks, with certain exceptions, all property and interests in property that are in the United States, or that hereafter come within the United States or that are or

¹ CPR has filed a correction to its notice of exemption to correct pages 8 and 13, to reflect the correct Board docket number.

² The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption's effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Service Rail Lines*, 5 I.C.C.2d 377 (1989). Any request for a stay should be filed as soon as possible

hereafter come within the possession or control of United States persons, of: (1) The persons listed in an Annex to the Order; (2) any foreign person determined by the Secretary of Treasury, in consultation with the Attorney General and Secretary of State, to play a significant role in international narcotics trafficking centered in Colombia, or to materially assist in, or provide financial or technological support for or goods or services in support of, the narcotics trafficking activities of persons designated in or pursuant to the order; and (3) persons determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Attorney General and the Secretary of State, to be owned or controlled by, or to act for or on behalf of, persons designated pursuant to the Order.

On August 28, 2008, the Director of OFAC, in consultation with the Attorney General and Secretary of State, as well as the Secretary of Homeland Security, designated eight individuals and entities whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to the Order.

The list of additional designees is as follows:

1. ALMACEN Y COMPRAVENTA LOS 3 OROS, Carrera 7 No. 11–60, Cartago, Valle, Colombia; NIT # 16219873–3 (Colombia) [SDNT].

2. GANADERIA ARIZONA, Carrera 43A No. 1 Sur-188 of. 903, Medellin, Colombia; Hacienda Arizona, Cauca, Antioquia, Colombia; NIT # 10026001–7 (Colombia) [SDNT].

3. GRANJA PORCICOLA LA FORTALEZA, Carrera 22 No. 8–71, Cartago, Valle, Colombia; Vda. La Hondura, Cartago, Valle, Colombia; NIT # 31423447–7 (Colombia) [SDNT].

4. MOTEL MOMENTOS E.U., Carrera 22 No. 8–71, Cartago, Valle, Colombia; NIT # 900089381–9 (Colombia) [SDNT].

5. RESTREPO ENCIZO, Luz Piedad, c/o GRANJA PORCICOLA LA FORTALEZA, Cartago, Valle, Colombia; c/o MOTEL MOMENTOS E.U., Cartago, Valle, Colombia; Calle 17 Bis. 2N–74, Cartago, Valle, Colombia; DOB 27 Dec 1975; POB Sevilla, Valle, Colombia; Cedula No. 31423447 (Colombia); Passport AH411251 (Colombia) (individual) [SDNT].

6. SANCHEZ JIMENEZ, Jesus Maria Alejandro (a.k.a. “CHUCHO”; a.k.a. “EL PRIMO”; a.k.a. “SCUBI”; a.k.a. “SCUBY”), c/o GANADERIA ARIZONA, Medellin, Colombia; Calle 11 No. 23–80, Pereira, Colombia; Hacienda Arizona, Cauca, Antioquia, Colombia; DOB 06 Nov 1975; POB Pereira, Colombia; Cedula No. 10026001 (Colombia); Passport AF400955 (Colombia) (individual) [SDNT].

7. SANCHEZ RUA, Rafael Angel, c/o ALMACEN Y COMPRAVENTA LOS 3 OROS, Cartago, Valle, Colombia; c/o GRANJA PORCICOLA LA FORTALEZA, Cartago, Valle, Colombia; c/o MOTEL MOMENTOS E.U., Cartago, Valle, Colombia; Calle 17 Bis. No. 2N–74, Cartago, Valle, Colombia; Finca El Encanto, Anserma, Colombia; Finca La Fortaleza, Anserma, Colombia; Finca La Perlita, Anserma, Colombia; Finca La Quichita, Anserma, Colombia; Finca Quiebra de Italia, Anserma, Colombia; DOB 22 Aug 1966; POB Ansermanuevo, Valle, Colombia; Cedula No. 16219873 (Colombia); Passport AF866705 (Colombia) (individual) [SDNT].

8. VIEDMA ABONCE, Marisol, c/o ALMACEN Y COMPRAVENTA LOS 3 OROS, Cartago, Valle, Colombia; c/o MOTEL MOMENTOS E.U., Cartago, Valle, Colombia; Calle 10B No. 14A–90 Manz. C Casa 14, Cartago, Valle, Colombia; DOB 30 Mar 1970; Cedula No. 31415437 (Colombia) (individual) [SDNT].

Dated: August 28, 2008.

Adam J. Szubin,

Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Unblocking of Specially Designated Narcotics Traffickers Pursuant to Executive Order 12978

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control (“OFAC”) is publishing the names of 21 individuals and entities whose property and interests in property have been unblocked pursuant to Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995, *Blocking Assets and Prohibiting Transactions With Significant Narcotics Traffickers*.

DATES: The unblocking and removal from the list of Specially Designated Narcotics Traffickers of 21 individuals and entities identified in this notice whose property and interests in property were blocked pursuant to Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995, is effective on August 28, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Assistant Director, Compliance Outreach & Implementation Office of Foreign Assets Control Department of the Treasury Washington, DC 20220, tel.: 202/622–2490.

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On August 28, 2008, the Director of OFAC removed from the list of Specially Designated Narcotics Traffickers 21 individuals and entities listed below, whose property and interests in property were blocked pursuant to the Order.

The listing of the unblocked individuals and entities follows:

1. ARIAS ESPINOSA ARIES S.A. (a.k.a. ARIES S.A.), Calle 22D No. 34–55, Bogota, Colombia; NIT # 830012619–1 (Colombia) [SDNT].

2. ARIAS JARAMILLO, Diego De Jesus, c/o ARIAS ESPINOSA ARIES S.A., Bogota, Colombia; c/o EXCIPIENTES FARMACEUTICOS EXCIPHARMA S.A., Bogota, Colombia; c/o INVERSIONES ASE LTDA., Bogota, Colombia; Calle 7 Oeste No. 2–207, Cali, Colombia; Carrera 2A No. 7–30 203,