

only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for Web site viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549 on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of FINRA. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-FINRA-2017-022, and should be submitted on or before July 20, 2017.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>9</sup>

**Eduardo A. Aleman,**  
Assistant Secretary.

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## SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. FD 36129]

### Iowa River Railroad, Inc.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Rail Line of North Central Railway Association, Inc.

Iowa River Railroad, Inc. (IRR), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to acquire from North Central Railway Association, Inc., and operate 0.59 miles of rail line, between Milepost 200.87 and Milepost 201.46, at or near Ackley, in Hardin County, Iowa.

IRR certifies that the projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not result in the creation of a Class II or Class I rail carrier and will not exceed \$5 million.

IRR further certifies that the transaction does not include an interchange commitment.

The transaction may be consummated on July 13, 2017, the effective date of the exemption (30 days after the verified notice was filed).

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 automatically stay the transaction. Petitions for stay must be filed no later than July 6, 2017 (at least seven days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 36129, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, one copy of each pleading must be served on T. Scott Bannister, 111 SW., Fifty-Sixth St., Des Moines, IA 50312.

According to IRR, 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.GOV](http://WWW.STB.GOV).

Decided: June 26, 2017.

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

**Marline Simeon,**  
Clearance Clerk.

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## OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

[Docket Number USTR-2017-0010]

### Request for Comments Regarding the Administration's Reviews and Report to the President on Trade Agreement Violations and Abuses

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative and the Department of Commerce

**ACTION:** Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** Executive Order 13796 of April 29, 2017 (82 FR 20819), requires the United States Trade Representative and the Secretary of Commerce, in consultation with the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, and the Director of the Office of Trade and Manufacturing Policy, to conduct comprehensive performance reviews of all bilateral, plurilateral, and multilateral trade agreements and investment agreements to which the United States is a party and all trade relations with countries

governed by the rules of the World Trade Organization (WTO) with which the United States does not have free trade agreements but with which the United States runs significant trade deficits in goods. The Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) and the Department of Commerce (DoC) are seeking comments that they will consider as part of these performance reviews and in the preparation of the subsequent report to the President.

**DATES:** Written comments are due by 11:59 p.m. (EDT) on July 31, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** USTR and DoC strongly prefer electronic submissions made through the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments in section II below. The docket number is USTR-2017-0010. For alternatives to on-line submissions, please contact Yvonne Jamison, Trade Policy Staff Committee, at (202) 395-3475.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For procedural questions concerning written comments, contact Yvonne Jamison at (202) 395-3475. Direct all other questions regarding this notice to Sloane Strickler, USTR Office of General Counsel, at [John.Strickler@ustr.eop.gov](mailto:John.Strickler@ustr.eop.gov).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **I. Topics on Which USTR and Commerce Seek Information**

To assist USTR and DoC in conducting the performance reviews of trade agreements and preparing the report, commenters should submit information related to one or more of the following assessments:

a. The performance of individual free trade agreements (FTAs) and bilateral investment treaties (BITs) to which the United States is a party. There currently are 14 FTAs in force: <https://ustr.gov/trade-agreements/free-trade-agreements>. There currently are 40 BITs in force: [http://tcc.export.gov/Trade\\_Agreements/Bilateral\\_Investment\\_Treaties/index.asp](http://tcc.export.gov/Trade_Agreements/Bilateral_Investment_Treaties/index.asp).

b. The performance of the WTO agreements with regard to our trade relations with those trading partners with which the United States does not have an FTA, but with which the United States runs significant trade deficits in goods. Consistent with the **Federal Register** notice regarding the Report on Significant Trade Deficits (82 FR 18110), the trading partners subject to these performance reviews are in alphabetical order: China, the European Union, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Switzerland, Taiwan, Thailand, and Vietnam. You can find a complete list of the WTO agreements at <https://>

<sup>9</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

[www.wto.org/english/docs\\_e/legal\\_e/legal\\_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/legal_e/legal_e.htm).

c. The performance of U.S. trade preference programs. You can find a complete list of the preference programs at <https://ustr.gov/issue-areas/preference-programs>.

d. In commenting on assessments (a), (b), or (c), you may want to address any specific harm or benefit resulting from any agreement, treaty including:

1. Whether there have been violations or abuses of the agreement, treaty, or program that have harmed American workers or domestic manufacturers, farmers, or ranchers; harmed intellectual property rights held by U.S. companies and U.S. persons; reduced the rate of innovation in the United States; or impaired research and development from occurring in the United States.

2. Whether any unfair treatment by trade and investment partners has harmed American workers or domestic manufacturers, farmers, or ranchers; harmed intellectual property rights held by U.S. companies and U.S. persons; reduced the rate of innovation in the United States; or deterred performance of research and development in the United States.

3. Whether an agreement, treaty, or preference program listed in (a), (b), or (c) has not met predictions with regard to new jobs created, favorable effects on the trade balance, expanded market access, lowered trade barriers, or increased United States exports.

Commenters also may submit information describing benefits or opportunities created as part of these agreements, treaties, programs, and trade relations with respect to, *inter alia*, export opportunities for American workers or domestic manufacturers, farmers, or ranchers; lowered trade barriers; promotion of U.S. intellectual property rights holders; the rate of innovation in the United States; U.S. based research and development; protection of rights of U.S. persons investing abroad; and any other relevant information.

## II. Request for Public Written Comments

USTR and DoC seek public comments with respect to the issues described in Section I. To be assured of consideration, you must submit written comments by 11:59 p.m. (EDT) on July 31, 2017. All comments must be in English and must identify on the reference line of the first page of the submission "Comments in Response to Executive Order Regarding Trade Agreements Violations and Abuses."

USTR and DoC strongly encourage commenters to make on-line submissions, using the [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Web site. To submit comments via [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), enter docket number USTR-2017-0010 on the home page and click "search." The site will provide a search-results page listing all documents associated with this docket. Find a reference to this notice and click on the link entitled "Comment Now!" For further information on using the [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Web site, please consult the resources provided on the Web site by clicking on "How to Use Regulations.gov" on the bottom of the home page. We will not accept hand-delivered submissions.

The [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Web site allows users to provide comments by filling in a "Type Comment" field, or by attaching a document using an "Upload File" field. USTR and DoC prefer that you provide comments as an attached document. If you attach a document, please identify the name of the country to which the submission pertains in the "Type Comment" field. For example: "See attached comments with respect to (name of trade agreement or country)". USTR and DoC prefer submissions in Microsoft Word (.doc) or Adobe Acrobat (.pdf) format. If the submission is in another file format, please indicate the name of the software application in the "Type Comment" field. File names should reflect the name of the person or entity submitting the comments. Please do not attach separate cover letters to electronic submissions; rather, include any information that might appear in a cover letter in the comments themselves. Similarly, to the extent possible, please include any exhibits, annexes, or other attachments in the same file as the comment itself, rather than submitting them as separate files.

For any comments submitted electronically that contain business confidential information, the file name of the business confidential version should begin with the characters "BC". Any page containing business confidential information must be clearly marked "BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL" on the top of that page and the submission should clearly indicate, via brackets, highlighting, or other means, the specific information that is business confidential. A filer requesting business confidential treatment must certify that the information is business confidential and would not customarily be released to the public by the submitter.

Filers of submissions containing business confidential information also must submit a public version of their comments. The file name of the public

version should begin with the character "P". The "BC" and "P" should be followed by the name of the person or entity submitting the comments. Filers submitting comments containing no business confidential information should name their file using the name of the person or entity submitting the comments.

As noted, USTR and DoC strongly urge submitters to file comments through [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). You must make any alternative arrangements with Yvonne Jamison in advance of transmitting a comment. You can contact Ms. Jamison at (202) 395-3475. General information concerning USTR is available at [www.ustr.gov](http://www.ustr.gov) and about DoC at [www.commerce.gov](http://www.commerce.gov).

We will post comments in the docket for public inspection, except business confidential information. You can view comments on the [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Web site by entering the relevant docket number in the search field on the home page.

**Edward Gresser,**

*Chair of the Trade Policy Staff Committee,  
Office of the United States Trade  
Representative.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-2017-52]

#### Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of petition for exemption received.

**SUMMARY:** This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of Federal Aviation Regulations. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of the FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

**DATES:** Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received on or before July 19, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments identified by docket number FAA-2017-0645 using any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow