

Fulcrum Rail

141 West Jackson Boulevard, Suite 1795
Chicago, Illinois 60604

311110

April 9, 2026

ENTERED
Office of Chief Counsel
April 9, 2026
Part of
Public Record

Via E-filing

Section of Administration
Office of Proceedings
U.S. Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street SW
Washington, D.C. 20423

In Re: L. Neill Cartage – Continuance in Control – Finance Docket 36912
Proviso Railroad, Inc. – Acquisition Exemption – Finance Docket 36874
Mason Railroad, Inc. – Acquisition Exemption – Finance Docket 36894

Dear Sir or Madam:

L. Neill Cartage hereby submits its Supplement to Verified Notice of Exemption Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. §1180.2(d)(2).

If there are any questions about this matter, please contact me at 312-629-0222 or email at max@prptax.com.

Respectfully,

/s/ Max Callahan

Max Callahan, Attorney for
L. Neill Cartage,
Mason Railroad, Inc., and
Proviso Railroad, Inc.

cc: Parties of record

BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
FINANCE DOCKET NUMBER FD 36912

FINANCE DOCKET NO. 36874
L. NEILL CARTAGE, INC.
-CONTINUANCE IN CONTROL-
PROVISO RAILROAD, INC. ACQUISITION EXEMPTION

FINANCE DOCKET NO. 36894
L. NEILL CARTAGE, INC.
-CONTINUATION IN CONTROL-
MASON RAILROAD, INC. ACQUISITION EXEMPTION

SUPPLEMENT TO VERIFIED NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
PURSUANT TO 49 C.F.R. §1180.2(d)(2)

Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. §1180.2(d)(2), L. Neill Cartage Co., Inc. (hereinafter “Cartage”), a non-carrier, hereby submits a supplement to the Verified Notice of Exemption from Board authority under 49 U.S.C. §1180(d)(2) requesting approval of the Surface Transportation Board to own and operate two Class III rail carriers located and operated in Cook County, Illinois, and in support thereof states as follows:

That L. Neill Cartage controls Proviso Railroad, Inc. which filed Verified Notices of Exemption on December 3, 2025, to acquire 712.5 feet of rail line, located in Berkeley, Illinois.

That L. Neill Cartage controls Mason Railroad, Inc., which filed Verified Notices of Exemption on December 4, 2025, to acquire from Cartage 665 feet of rail line located in Bedford Park, Illinois.

That on February 27, 2026, Cartage filed Verified Notice of Exemption Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. §1180.2(d)(2) seeking Board approval to control Proviso Railroad, Inc. and Mason Railroad, Inc.

That pursuant to the Board's Decision and request issued March 30, 2026, relative to 49 C.F.R. §1180.6(a)(1)(iii), the purpose of the transaction is to allow Cartage, a non-carrier, to control two Class III railroads, i.e., Proviso Railroad and Mason Railroad, when both begin to operate as carriers. The continuance in control will allow Proviso Railroad and Mason Railroad to take advantage of administrative, financial, and marketing support that Cartage and that the other entities it controls can provide while adding operational experience. Thus, promoting the ability of Proviso Railroad and Mason Railroad to operate on behalf of Cartage to provide safe and efficient service to its customers and shippers.

For the foregoing reason, and those stated in Cartage's initial Verified Notice of Exemption, Cartage requests that the Board issue a notice of exemption pursuant to 49 C.F.R. §1180.2(d)(2).

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Max Callahan
Attorney for Applicant
Fulcrum Rail
141 West Jackson Boulevard, Suite 1795
Chicago, Illinois 60604
312-629-0222
max@prptax.com

Dated: April 8, 2026