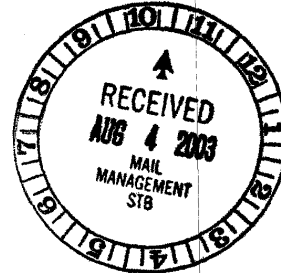


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The Railroad Co., Inc.
And
WV Southern Railway Co.
Its wholly owned subsidiary
Thurmond Station
Thurmond, WV 25936



July 31, 2003

Honorable Vernon A Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N. W, Suite 700
Washington, D. C. 20423

RE: Correction of Typographical Error in Finance Docket No. 34384, Acquisition and Operation Exemption – The Railroad Co., Inc. and WV Southern Railway Co., its wholly owned subsidiary and requested date of confirmation.

Dear Secretary Williams:

Please allow us to submit for your approval our request for the correction of a typographical error in Finance Docket No. 34384, Acquisition and Operation Exemption – The Railroad Co., Inc. and WV Southern Railway Co., its wholly owned subsidiary. Specifically, we would like to correct the typographical error “Pursuant to 49 CFR § 1150.41 et seq.,” noted in our Verified Notice of Exemption to “Pursuant to 49 CFR § 1150.31 et seq.,”. The scheduled date of the acquisition is August 4, 2003, and we would like to request a date of confirmation which precedes it on August 1, 2003.

An original and ten copies of this letter and the corrected page have been provided.

Should any question arise regarding this correction to our filing, please contact the undersigned. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Roger S. Lipscomb
Partner, Chief Transportation Officer
The Railroad Co., Inc.

President
WV Southern Railway Co.

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The Railroad Co., Inc.
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-Acquisition Exemption-
Rail Lines of CSX Transportation, Inc.

Verified Notice of Exemption
Of
The Railroad Co., Inc. and WV Southern Railway Co., its wholly owned subsidiary
Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. §1150.42

Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1150.31 *et seq.*, The Railroad Co., Inc. and WV Southern Railway Co., its wholly owned subsidiary (WVSR), a non-carrier, hereby files this Verified Notice of Exemption to acquire and operate a rail line currently owned and operated by CSX Transportation, Inc. between Thurmond and Mt. Hope, West Virginia, a distance of approximately twelve (12) route miles in Fayette County ("Subject Line"). Based on the projected revenues for the Subject Line, WVSR expects to become a Class III rail carrier after consummation of the transaction proposed herein.

In accordance with the requirements of 49 C.F.R. § 1150.43, WVSR submits the following information:

Advance Notice:

49 C.F.R. § 1150.42 (e)

The projected annual revenue of the Subject Line, will not exceed \$5 million. Accordingly, the requirements of 49 C.F.R. § 1150.42 (e) do not apply to this transaction.



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