

other marginalized groups), and local governments are consulted in the design, and participate in the implementation and evaluation of, activities of the plan that affect such communities, organizations, and governments;

- counter the activities of criminal gangs, drug traffickers, and organized crime;
- investigate and prosecute in the civilian justice system government personnel, including military and police personnel, who are credibly alleged to have violated human rights, and ensure that such personnel are cooperating in such cases;
- cooperate with commissions against corruption and impunity and with regional human rights entities;
- support programs to reduce poverty, expand education and vocational training for at-risk youth, create jobs, and promote equitable economic growth particularly in areas contributing to large numbers of migrants;
- implement a plan that includes goals, benchmarks and timelines to create a professional, accountable civilian police force and end the role of the military in internal policing, and make such plan available to the Department of State;
- protect the right of political opposition parties, journalists, trade unionists, human rights defenders, and other civil society activists to operate without interference;
- increase government revenues, including by implementing tax reforms and strengthening customs agencies; and
- resolve commercial disputes, including the confiscation of real property, between United States entities and such government.

This certification shall be published in the **Federal Register** and, along with the accompanying Memorandum of Justification, shall be reported to Congress.

Dated: November 29, 2017.

**Rex W. Tillerson,**  
Secretary of State.

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## **SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

**[Docket No. FD 36128]**

### **Vicksburg Southern Railroad, L.L.C.— Lease and Operation Exemption— Kansas City Southern Railway Company**

Vicksburg Southern Railroad, L.L.C. (VSOR), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR. 1150.41 to continue to lease and operate from Kansas City Southern Railway Company (KCS) approximately 21.7 miles<sup>1</sup> of rail line consisting of the following lines located in Mississippi: (1) KCS's Redwood Branch, which is located between milepost 21.9, at the end of the line near Redwood, Miss., and milepost 220.3,<sup>2</sup> north of KCS's Vicksburg Yard, at Vicksburg, Miss; and (2) the portion of the Redwood Branch located between milepost 223.0, south of the connection with the KCS main line, and milepost 225.6.<sup>3</sup>

According to VSOR, it first entered into a lease agreement with KCS in 2005. *See Vicksburg S. R.R.—Lease & Operation Exemption—Kan. City S. Ry., FD 34765* (STB served Jan. 13, 2006). VSOR states that it recently entered into an amended and restated lease agreement (Amended Agreement) to extend the term of the lease through March 1, 2027, and to change the mileposts of the leased line and remove track numbers and buildings, as noted.

VSOR states that the Amended Agreement does not contain any provision that prohibits VSOR from interchanging traffic with a third party or limits VSOR's ability to interchange with a third party.

VSOR also certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of the transaction will not result in VSOR becoming a Class II or Class I rail carrier and further certifies that its projected annual revenues will not exceed \$5 million.

The transaction may be consummated on or after December 21, 2017, the effective date of the exemption (30 days after the verified notice was filed).

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption

<sup>1</sup> By letter filed on November 30, 2017, VSOR corrected the length of the rail line from 21.5 miles to 21.7 miles.

<sup>2</sup> VSOR states that KCS agreed to extend the leased line from milepost 218.0 to milepost 220.3 to provide VSOR better access to KCS's Vicksburg Yard.

<sup>3</sup> VSOR states that the Amended Agreement no longer includes track numbers 418, 419, 429, 430, 431, 432, and (as indicated in VSOR's November 30 letter) 433, and the locomotive facility buildings within the Vicksburg Yard. VSOR states that it intends to file for authority to discontinue its operations over those tracks.

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 effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions for stay must be filed no later than December 14, 2017 (at least seven days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and ten copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 36128, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Karl Morell, Karl Morell & Associates, 440 1st Street NW., Suite 440, Washington, DC 20001.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at "WWW.STB.GOV."

Decided: December 4, 2017.

By the Board, Scott M. Zimmerman, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

**Rena Laws-Byrum,**  
Clearance Clerk.

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## **TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY**

### **Webinar Meeting of the Regional Energy Resource Council**

**AGENCY:** Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA).

**ACTION:** Notice of webinar meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The TVA Regional Energy Resource Council (RERC) has scheduled a webinar meeting to discuss guiding principles that TVA should consider when designing wholesale rate changes and the mechanisms TVA should use to engage Valley stakeholders in discussions relating to wholesale rate changes. The RERC initiated discussions on these issues at its meeting on November 29, 2017, and intends to continue those discussions at this scheduled webinar meeting.

The RERC was established to advise TVA on its energy resource activities and the priority to be placed among competing objectives and values. Notice of this webinar meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA).

**DATES:** The webinar meeting will be held on Friday, December 22, 2017, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., EST.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be conducted by webinar only. An individual requiring special accommodation for a disability, should let the contact below know at least a week in advance.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Barbie Perdue, 865-632-6113,  
*baperdue@tva.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

The meeting agenda includes the following items:

1. Introductions and Webinar Logistics
2. Remarks of Wayne Davis, RERC Chair
3. Summary of Rate Change Discussion from November 29 meeting
4. Council Discussion and Advice

The webinar is open to the public, to register for webinar go to <http://dpregrister.com/171222>. No oral comments from the public will be accepted during the webinar session. The public may provide written comments to the RERC at any time through links on TVA's Web site at [www.tva.com/lerc](http://www.tva.com/lerc) or by mailing written comments to the Regional Energy Resource Council, Tennessee Valley Authority, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, WT-9-D, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

Dated: December 1, 2017.

**Joseph J. Hoagland,**

*Vice President, Enterprise Relations and Innovation, Tennessee Valley Authority.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration**

[Docket No. FMCSA-2006-26367]

**Medical Review Board Advisory Committee; Charter Renewal**

**AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Announcement of Charter Renewal of the Medical Review Board Advisory Committee (MRB).

**SUMMARY:** FMCSA announces the charter renewal of the MRB, a Federal Advisory Committee that provides the Agency with medical advice and recommendations on medical standards and guidelines for the physical qualifications of operators of commercial motor vehicles (CMVs), medical examiner education, and medical research. This charter renewal took effect on November 25, 2017, and will expire after 2 years.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Shannon L. Watson, Senior Advisor to the Associate Administrator for Policy, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-2551, *mrb@dot.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), FMCSA is giving notice of the charter renewal for the MRB. The MRB was established to provide FMCSA with medical advice and recommendations on medical standards and guidelines for the physical qualifications of operators of CMVs, medical examiner education, and medical research.

The MRB is composed of five members selected from medical institutions and private practice. The membership shall reflect expertise in a variety of medical specialties relevant to the driver fitness requirements of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration. See the MRB's Web site for details on pending tasks at <http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/mrb>.

Issued on: November 30, 2017.

**Larry W. Minor,**

*Associate Administrator for Policy.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****National Highway Traffic Safety Administration**

[Docket No. NHTSA-2017-0073; Notice 1]

**FCA US LLC, Receipt of Petition for Decision of Inconsequential Noncompliance**

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Receipt of petition.

**SUMMARY:** FCA US LLC (FCA US), (f/k/a Chrysler Group LLC) has determined that certain Mopar Service seat belt assemblies sold to FCA dealers as replacement equipment in certain model year (MY) 1992-2018 FCA US motor vehicles do not fully comply with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 209, *Seat Belt Assemblies*. FCA US filed a noncompliance report dated July 25, 2017. FCA US also petitioned NHTSA on August 17, 2017, for a decision that the subject noncompliance is inconsequential as it relates to motor vehicle safety.

**DATES:** The closing date for comments on the petition is January 8, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments on this petition. Comments must refer to the docket and notice number cited in the title of this notice and submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Mail:* Send comments by mail addressed to U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.

- *Hand Delivery:* Deliver comments by hand to U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Section is open on weekdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. except Federal Holidays.

- *Electronically:* Submit comments electronically by logging onto the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Web site at <https://www.regulations.gov/>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- Comments may also be faxed to (202) 493-2251.

Comments must be written in the English language, and be no greater than 15 pages in length, although there is no limit to the length of necessary attachments to the comments. If comments are submitted in hard copy form, please ensure that two copies are provided. If you wish to receive confirmation that comments you have submitted by mail were received, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard with the comments. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov/>, including any personal information provided.

All comments and supporting materials received before the close of business on the closing date indicated above will be filed in the docket and will be considered. All comments and supporting materials received after the closing date will also be filed and will be considered to the fullest extent possible.

When the petition is granted or denied, notice of the decision will also be published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to the authority indicated at the end of this notice.

All comments, background documentation, and supporting materials submitted to the docket may be viewed by anyone at the address and times given above. The documents may also be viewed on the Internet at <https://www.regulations.gov/> by following the online instructions for accessing the dockets. The docket ID number for this petition is shown in the heading of this notice.

DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement is available for review in a **Federal Register** notice published on April 11, 2000, (65 FR 19477-78).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**