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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 33605]

J.K. Lines, Inc.--Acquisition and Operation Exemption--Line of The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company.

J.K. Lines, Inc. (JK), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to acquire and operate approximately 2 miles of rail line, the track right-of-way, and certain adjacent real estate owned by The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF).¹ The line covers seven parcels extending from the end of BNSF's track in Joliette, ND, at milepost 179.55, south to the North Dakota Highway No. 5 right-of-way line, near milepost 177.44. J.K. Line will provide common carrier rail service on the involved line through a subcontractor.

The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on or shortly after May 31, 1998.

If this 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 does not automatically stay the transaction.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 33605, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of

¹ J.K. Line certifies that the projected revenues do exceed those that would qualify as Class III rail carrier.

each pleading must be served on Jeffrey O. Moreno, Donelan, Cleary, Wood & Maser, P.C.,
1100 New York Ave., N.W., Suite 750, Washington, D.C. 20005.

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Decided: June 10, 1998.

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

Vernon A. Williams

Secretary