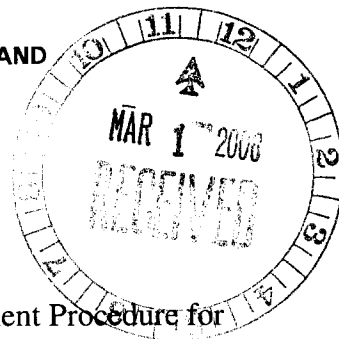




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MILITARY SURFACE DEPLOYMENT AND DISTRIBUTION COMMAND
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SUBJECT: STB Ex Parte No. 647, Class Exemption for Expedited Abandonment Procedure for
Class II and Class III Railroads.

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Dear Secretary:

As the Department of Defense agent for the Railroads for National Defense Program, the Surface Deployment and Distribution Command Transportation Engineering Agency hereby notifies this Board of its desire to be listed as a party of record in the above captioned proceeding. This agency assures coordination of defense and civil sector rail plans. The RND Program is responsible for the analysis of railroad abandonments to determine impacts to defense installations whose mission requires rail service.

We therefore request you include as a party of record:

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