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Public & Media Advisory: Surface Transportation Board to Hold August 11 Public Hearing on "Small Railroad Abandonments"

Surface Transportation Board Chairman Roger Nober today announced that the STB will hold a public hearing **on Wednesday, August 11, 2004, in Room 760**, the agency's hearing room, on the **7th Floor** of the agency's headquarters in the **Mercury Building, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.**, concerning the case entitled *Class Exemption for Expedited Abandonment Procedure for Class II and Class III Railroads*, STB Ex Parte No. 647. **The hearing will begin immediately after the conclusion of the STB's voting conference, which begins at 10:00 a.m.**

Persons wishing to speak at the hearing should file with the agency a written "Notice of Intent to Participate," and should indicate a requested time allotment, as soon as possible but no later than **July 26, 2004**. Each speaker's written testimony, if any, should be filed with the agency by **August 3, 2004**.

[The agency's decision announcing the public hearing in STB Ex Parte No. 647](#) and providing additional information regarding participation in the hearing is available for viewing and downloading via the agency's Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>. A printed copy of the agency's decision also is available for a fee by contacting **ASAP Document Solutions, 9332 Annapolis Rd., Suite 103, Lanham, MD 20706, telephone (301) 577-2600**, or via asapmd@verizon.net.

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