DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2020-0072]

Notice of Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System

Under part 235 of title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), this document provides the public notice that on September 4, 2020, Union Pacific Railroad Company (UPRR) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval to discontinue or modify a signal system. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2020-0072.

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Specifically, UPRR seeks to discontinue the hold signals at control point (CP) S1272 and CP S1279. It also seeks to classify a portion of the West Intermodal Lead (Track 101) as yard track between Santa Teresa Terminal, CP S1271 (milepost (MP) 1271.25) and hold signal CP S1272 (MP 1273.28), as well as a portion of the East Intermodal Lead (Track 202), between hold signal CP S1279 (MP 1277.06) and Tarmac CP S1280 (MP 1278.85) at the Santa Teresa Fueling Facility, Lordsburg Subdivision located in Santa Teresa, New Mexico.
UPRR states the reason for the changes is that operational changes on each intermodal lead have led to a large reduction of throughput moves on signal indication, both inbound and outbound.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- Web site: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
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- Hand Delivery: 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Communications received by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF FROM PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] will be considered by FRA
before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable.

Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL–14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at https://www.transportation.gov/privacy. See also https://www.regulations.gov/privacyNotice for the privacy notice of regulations.gov.

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