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the maintenance and inspection programs for track and bridges, and the qualification standards for roadway workers.

(g) *Hazardous Materials.* Each applicant shall identify an inspection program covering the following areas:

- (1) Field inspection practices;
- (2) Hazardous materials communication standards;
- (3) Emergency response procedures; and
- (4) Information technology systems and personnel employed for transmitting or receiving information accompanying hazardous materials shipments. The inspection program should identify preventive measures that will be employed to respond to potential information technology integration and hazardous materials documentation deficiencies.

(h) *Dispatching operations.* Each applicant shall identify:

- (1) The railroad dispatching system to be adopted;
- (2) The migration of the existing dispatching systems to the adopted system, if applicable; and
- (3) The criteria used to determine workload and duties performed by operators or dispatchers employed to execute operations.

(i) *Highway-rail grade crossing systems.* Each applicant shall identify a program, including its development and implementation, covering the following:

- (1) Identification of the highway-rail grade crossings at which there will be an increase in rail traffic resulting from the transaction;
- (2) An applicant's existing grade-crossing programs as they apply to grade crossings identified in paragraph (i)(1) of this section;
- (3) Integration of the grade crossing programs of the railroads subject to the transaction to the extent the programs may be different;
- (4) Emergency response actions;
- (5) Avoidance of blocked or obstructed highway-rail crossing systems by trains, locomotives, railroad cars, or other pieces of rolling equipment; and
- (6) Signs employed for changes in rail traffic patterns.

(j) *Personnel staffing.* Each applicant shall identify the number of employees by job category, currently and proposed, to perform the following types of functions when there is a projected change of operations that will impact workforce duties or responsibilities for employees of that job category:

- (1) Train and engine service;
- (2) Yard and terminal service;
- (3) Dispatching operations;
- (4) Roadway maintenance;
- (5) Freight car and locomotive maintenance;
- (6) Maintenance of signal and train control systems, devices, and appliances;
- (7) Hazardous materials operations; and
- (8) Managers responsible for oversight of safety programs.

(k) *Capital investment.* Each applicant shall identify the capital investment program, clearly displaying planned investments in track and structures, signals and train control, and locomotives and equipment. The program shall describe any differences from the program currently in place on each of the railroads involved in the transaction.

(l) *Information systems compatibility.* Each applicant shall identify measures providing for a seamless interchange of information relating to the following subject matters:

- (1) Train consists;
- (2) Movements and movement history of locomotives and railroad freight cars;
- (3) Dispatching operations;
- (4) Emergency termination of operations; and
- (5) Transportation of hazardous materials.

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§ 244.15 Subjects to be addressed in a Safety Integration Plan not involving an amalgamation of operations.

If an applicant does not propose an amalgamation of operations conducted on properties subject to the transaction, the applicant shall not be required to file a Safety Integration Plan unless directed to do so by FRA.