

INTO AGREEMENTS FOR THEM AND FOR ANY STUDIES, PLANS, DEMONSTRATIONS, OR PROJECTS.

(J) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL MONITOR PASSENGER OPERATIONS AND RAILROAD FREIGHT OPERATIONS TO ASSURE MAXIMUM BENEFITS TO MARYLAND COMMUNITIES AND BUSINESSES.

(K) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY EMPLOY AND FIX THE COMPENSATION OF ENGINEERS, ACCOUNTANTS, PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL EXPERTS, SURVEYORS, SKILLED AND UNSKILLED LABORERS, ADVISORS, CONSULTANTS, AND ANY OTHER AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES THAT IT CONSIDERS POSITIONS AUTHORIZED, BUDGETED, AND NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT ITS POWERS AND DUTIES.

(L) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO PERFORM ITS DUTIES AND CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(M) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY MAKE ANY CONTRACT NECESSARY FOR OR INCIDENTAL TO THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS DUTIES AND THE EXERCISE OF ITS POWERS UNDER THIS TITLE.

SUBTITLE 3. RAILROAD CORRIDOR PROPERTY

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(A) (1) WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, THE SECRETARY OR THE ADMINISTRATION MAY ACQUIRE ON BEHALF OF THIS STATE, BY GIFT, PURCHASE, LEASE, CONDEMNATION, OR OTHERWISE, FOR ANY TRANSPORTATION RELATED PURPOSE, ANY RAILROAD CORRIDOR PROPERTY ~~OVER WHICH TRANSPORTATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED AND ABANDONMENT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY~~ THAT HAS BEEN ABANDONED PURSUANT TO ACTION OR REGULATIONS OF THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION OR OTHER GOVERNING AGENCY WITH JURISDICTION IN THE MATTER.

(2) ANY CONDEMNATION PROCEEDING UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE INSTITUTED AND MAINTAINED IN THE NAME OF THIS STATE AND IS GOVERNED BY TITLE 12 OF THE REAL PROPERTY ARTICLE.

(B) IF A RAILROAD COMPANY INTENDS TO SELL OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF ANY RAILROAD CORRIDOR PROPERTY THAT IS LOCATED IN THIS STATE AND FOR WHICH THE COMPANY HAS RECEIVED PERMISSION FROM THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION OR OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY WITH JURISDICTION IN THE MATTER TO ABANDON TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, THE COMPANY SHALL NOTIFY THE SECRETARY AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF ITS INTENT TO SELL OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF THE PROPERTY.

(C) WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE STATE RECEIVES A NOTICE UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE MAY RESPOND TO THE RAILROAD COMPANY AND NOTIFY THE COMPANY OF WHETHER THIS STATE INTENDS TO ACQUIRE THE RAILROAD CORRIDOR PROPERTY.

(D) IF THE STATE DOES NOT RESPOND WITHIN THE TIME REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION OR IF THE STATE NOTIFIES THE