

In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315 each exemption is valid for two years unless revoked earlier by FMCSA. The exemption will be revoked if the following occurs: (1) The person fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the exemption; (2) the exemption has resulted in a lower level of safety than was maintained before it was granted; or (3) continuation of the exemption would not be consistent with the goals and objectives of 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315. If the exemption is still effective at the end of the 2-year period, the person may apply to FMCSA for a renewal under procedures in effect at that time.

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Associate Administrator for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA 2015-0061]

Request for Approval of a New Information Collection

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below is being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comments. **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following information collection was published on October 29, 2016.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before July 6, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: NHTSA Desk Officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or access to background documents, contact Ritchie Huang, Crash Avoidance and Electronic Controls Division, NHTSA, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., Washington, DC 20590; Telephone (202) 366-5586; Facsimile: (202) 366-8546; email address: ritchie.huang@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Before a Federal agency can collect certain information from the public, it must receive approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). In compliance with these requirements, this notice announces that the following information collection request has been forwarded to OMB. In the October 29, 2015 **Federal Register**¹, NHTSA published a 60-day notice requesting public comment on the proposed collection of information. We received zero comments.

OMB Control Number: To be issued at time of approval.

Title: Heavy Vehicle Collision Warning Interfaces.

Form Numbers: None.

Type of Review: New information collection.

Abstract: Crash warning systems (CWSs) for commercial motor vehicles have been available for more than 20 years. CWSs can include features such as forward collision and lane departure warnings and use a variety of sensor technologies (e.g., radar) to determine the crash risk of a collision. CWSs are designed to warn the driver to take action to avoid or mitigate a potential crash.

CWSs are available as both options from OEMs and as aftermarket/retrofit devices. While there are certain similarities between offerings within a

particular CWS product class (e.g., forward collision warning (FCW)), there are also differences in how suppliers present collision warnings, including the design of visual displays and auditory alerts. Typically, suppliers will use a combination of visual and audio modalities to convey a potential crash situation to the driver. However, their implementations vary across factors such as the visual interface, auditory alert, and the salience of alerts. While CWS implementations change and evolve, it is likely that certain warning interfaces are more effective than others during crash-imminent situations. This research seeks to examine the impact of CWSs as they pertain to commercial motor vehicle safety. The primary goal of this effort is to evaluate CWSs and assess the effectiveness of these driver-vehicle interfaces for heavy trucks and motorcoaches.

Respondents: Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, and Tennessee drivers with a valid Class A commercial driver license.

Estimated Number of Respondents: It is estimated that up to 60 Class A CDL drivers will participate; however, it is estimated that up to 100 Class A CDL drivers will complete the eligibility questionnaire in order to obtain 60 Class A CDL drivers that meet the criteria to participate.

Estimated Time per Response: Completion of the eligibility questionnaire is expected to take 10 minutes while the demographics questionnaire is expected to take two minutes. The mid-study questionnaires 10 minutes total and the post study questionnaire will take 15 minutes.

Total Estimated Burden: 37 minutes per respondent (44 hours total).

Frequency of Collection: Onetime for the eligibility, post study, and demographic questionnaire; three times for the mid study questionnaire.

NHTSA estimates the burden of this collection of information as follows:

TABLE 1—ESTIMATED BURDEN HOURS

| Instrument | Number of respondents ¹ | Frequency of responses | Number of questions | Estimated individual burden (minutes) | Total estimated burden hours | Total annualized cost to respondents ² |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Eligibility questionnaire | 100 | 1 | 26 | 10 | 17 | \$ 414.80 |
| Demographic questionnaire | 60 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 48.80 |
| Mid-study questionnaires | 60 | 3 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 244.00 |
| Post study questionnaire | 60 | 1 | 12 | 15 | 15 | 366.00 |
| Total | | | | | 44 | 1,073.60 |

¹ The number of respondents in this table includes drop-out rates.

² Estimated based on the mean hourly rate for Virginia (all occupations) is \$24.40 as reported in the May 2014 Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates, Bureau of Labor Statistics. http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes_va.htm.

¹ 80 FR 24314 (April 30, 2015).

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.95.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. DOT-OST-2016-0053]

Establishment of Interim National Multimodal Freight Network

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Transportation (OST), Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Maritime Administration (MARAD), Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation (SLSDC), and U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: Section 70103 of title 49, United States Code (U.S.C.), which was established in section 8001 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, directs the Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy (Under Secretary) to establish a National Multimodal Freight Network (NMFN) to: (1) Assist States in strategically directing resources toward improved system performance for the efficient movement of freight on the NMFN; (2) inform freight transportation planning; (3) assist in the prioritization of Federal investment; and (4) assess and support Federal investments to achieve the national multimodal freight policy goals described in section 70101(b) of title 49, U.S.C., and the national highway freight program goals described in section 167 of title 23, U.S.C.

Within 180 days of the enactment of the FAST Act, the Under Secretary is directed to establish an Interim NMFN. This notice establishes an Interim NMFN per the statutory requirements and solicits public comment to help inform the Final NMFN that will be designated by December 4, 2017, per the statutory requirement.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 6, 2016 to receive consideration by DOT with respect to the final designation of the NMFN.

ADDRESSES: To ensure that you do not duplicate your docket submissions, please submit them by only one of the following means:

• *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow

the online instructions for submitting comments.

• *Mail:* Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

• *Hand Delivery:* West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (202) 366-9329.

• *Instructions:* You must include the agency name and docket number at the beginning of your comments. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ryan Endorf, 202-366-4835 or email freight@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Additional Information

Background: Each day, our roads, rails, bridges, seaports, airports, and waterways transport 55 million tons of goods, worth more than \$49 billion. Freight travels over an extensive multimodal network of highways, railroads, ports, waterways, pipelines, and airways. A significant portion of the freight moved on this network requires multiple modes of transportation and intermodal connections to reach its final destination. Thus, the reliable movement of freight in the United States depends on all modes working together such that the multimodal freight system functions smoothly and without costly delays.

In a transportation law passed in July, 2012—the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21)—Congress directed DOT to develop a National Freight Strategic Plan and a National Freight Network (NFN) of highways. The NFN was to include the designation of a Primary Freight Network (PFN) of 27,000 centerline miles. On November 19, 2013, DOT published a draft PFN for comment in the **Federal Register**. In developing the PFN and reviewing the resulting public comments, DOT determined that efforts to incorporate all of the criteria required by MAP-21 did not yield a network that could comprehensively represent the most critical elements of the national freight system. Among other factors, the effort to link qualifying PFN segments to achieve a contiguous network, and to ensure sufficient connections to Mexico and Canada, would require the designation of many thousands of miles beyond the 27,000 centerline miles allowed by MAP-21. Significantly, the

draft PFN also did not reflect the location of non-truck freight modes including rail, water and pipeline, which play an essential role in long-distance movement of freight.

In October 2015, DOT released a draft Multimodal Freight Network (MFN) as part of its draft National Freight Strategic Plan (NFSP).¹ That draft network addressed the deficiencies of the PFN by identifying 65,000 centerline miles of road, more than 28 percent of the mileage of the National Highway System (NHS) and approximately 1.6 percent of the nation's total public road mileage; 49,900 route miles of railways representing 35 percent of the nation's rail route miles; 78 ports that accounted for approximately 90 percent of total 2013 U.S. tonnage; and 56 airports that accounted for approximately 90 percent by weight of the nation's landed air cargo in 2013.

Section 70103 of title 49, U.S.C., which was established in section 8001 of the FAST Act, directs the Under Secretary to establish a NMFN that will be used to: (1) Assist States in strategically directing resources toward improved system performance for the efficient movement of freight on the NMFN; (2) inform freight transportation planning; (3) assist in the prioritization of Federal investment; and (4) assess and support Federal investments to achieve the national multimodal freight policy goals described in section 70101(b) of title 49, U.S.C., and the national highway freight program goals described in section 167 of title 23, U.S.C.

Within 180 days of the enactment of the FAST Act, the Under Secretary is directed to establish an Interim NMFN that includes the following components: (1) The National Highway Freight Network (NHFN), as established under section 167 of title 23, U.S.C.; (2) the freight rail systems of Class I railroads as designated by the Surface Transportation Board; (3) the public ports of the United States that have total annual foreign and domestic trade of at least 2,000,000 short tons, as identified by the Waterborne Commerce Statistics Center of the Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), using the data from the latest year for which such data are available; (4) the inland and intracoastal waterways of the United States, as described in section 206 of the Inland Waterways Revenue Act of 1978 (33 U.S.C. 1804); (5) the Great Lakes, the St. Lawrence Seaway, and coastal and ocean routes along which domestic freight is transported; (6) the 50 airports

¹ <https://www.transportation.gov/freight/MFNOct2015>