

assists the Exchange in its responsibilities under Section 6(c)<sup>11</sup> of the Act, which requires that an Exchange deny membership to persons subject to a statutory disqualification or persons who cannot meet such standards of training, experience and competence as are prescribed by the rules of the Exchange or persons who have engaged in acts or practices inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade.

#### *B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition*

The Exchange believes that the proposal does not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

#### *C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others*

Written comments were neither solicited or received.

### **III. Solicitation of Comments**

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule is consistent with the Act. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609. Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the NYSE. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-NYSE-99-05 and should be submitted by April 2, 1999.

### **IV. Commission's Findings and Order Granting Accelerated Approval of Proposed Rule Change**

The Commission believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder<sup>12</sup> applicable to a national

securities exchange. In particular, the Commission believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(5)<sup>13</sup> which requires, among other things, that the rules of an exchange be designed to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, not to permit unfair discrimination among customers, issuers, brokers or dealers, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The Commission believes that the proposed rule change benefits the public because the release of additional PDP information provides investors with a resource to aid them in choosing a broker-dealer for their investment needs. Moreover, increasing disclosure of members' and their associated persons' relevant disciplinary history could help investors determine whether to conduct or continue to conduct business with a particular broker-dealer or associated person. The Commission notes that disclosure of this additional information may serve as a deterrent to fraudulent activity as well.

In reassessing the CRD redesign, the task force determined that the Forms U-4 and U-5 had to be redesigned to accomplish the release of the additional PDP information. In addition to facilitating the release of additional information, the forms were also redesigned to be compatible with the current CRD protocol (*i.e.*, the answers on the interim forms now match the location of questions in the CRD system). The Commission, therefore, approves the use of these interim forms, recognizing their necessity in disseminating this additional disciplinary history to the public.

The Commission finds good cause for approving the proposed rule change prior to the thirtieth day after the date of publication of notice thereof in the **Federal Register**. The Commission notes that the forms have previously been approved by the Commission and are currently in effect.<sup>14</sup> The Commission also notes that the previous filing was submitted for the requisite notice and comment period, and the Commission received no public comments. Furthermore, the proposed rule change

impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. The Commission notes that a version of the Forms U-4 and U-5 are used by all self-regulatory organizations. Moreover, the forms provide self-regulatory organizations with a centralized and efficient means of maintaining information on member firms and their associated persons. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

<sup>13</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

<sup>14</sup> See *supra* note 3.

raises no new issue of regulatory concern. The Commission believes, therefore, that granting accelerated approval to the proposed rule change is appropriate and consistent with Section 6<sup>15</sup> of the Act.

*It is therefore ordered*, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,<sup>16</sup> that the proposed rule change (SR-NYSE-99-05) is hereby approved on an accelerated basis.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>17</sup>

**Margaret H. McFarland,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## **SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

### **Region IV, North Florida District, Jacksonville, FL, Advisory Council Meeting; Public Meeting**

The U.S. Small Business Administration, North Florida District Office, Jacksonville, Florida, Advisory Council will hold a public meeting from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., April 8, 1999, at Bethune-Cookman College, 640 Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Blvd., in the Holmes Bldg., Lincoln Street, Daytona Beach, Florida, to discuss such matters as may be presented by members, staff of the U. S. Small Business Administration, or others present.

For further information, write or call Claudia D. Taylor, U. S. Small Business Administration, 7825 Baymeadows Way, Suite 100-B, Jacksonville, Florida 32256-7504, telephone (904) 443-1933.

Dated: March 11, 1999.

**Shirl Thomas,**

*Director of External Affairs.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Coast Guard**

[USCG-1999-5220]

### **Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review**

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DOT.

**ACTION:** Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520, the Coast Guard

<sup>15</sup> U.S.C. 78f.

<sup>16</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

<sup>17</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

<sup>11</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(c).

<sup>12</sup> Pursuant to Section 3(f) of the Act, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's

intends to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval for the renewal of six Information Collection Requests (ICRs). These ICRs comprise: 1. Firefighting Equipment, Structural Fire Protection Materials, Lifesaving Equipment, and Marine Sanitation Devices; 2. Plan Review for Facilities with Vapor Control Systems; 3. Electrical Engineering Regulations—46 CFR, Subchapter J; 4. Application and Permit to Handle Hazardous Materials; 5. Operations Manual and Amendments for Facilities Transferring Oil and Hazardous Materials in Bulk; and 6. Operational Measures to Reduce Oil Spills from Existing Tank Vessels Without Double Hulls. Before submitting the ICRs to OMB, the Coast Guard is asking for comments on the collections described below.

**DATES:** Comments must reach the Coast Guard on or before May 17, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** You may mail comments to the Docket Management Facility, (USCG-1999-5220), U.S. Department of Transportation, room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington DC 20590-0001, or deliver them to room PL-401, located on the Plaza Level of the Nassif Building at the same address between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202-366-9329.

The Docket Management Facility maintains the public docket for this document. Comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at room PL-401, located on the Plaza Level of the Nassif Building at the same address between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. You may also access this docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Copies of the complete Information Collection Request are available through this docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov> and also from Commandant (G-SII-2), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, room 6106, (Attn: Barbara Davis), 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The telephone number is 202-267-2326

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Barbara Davis, Office of Information Management, 202-267-2326, for questions on this document. Should there be questions on the docket, contact Dorothy Walker, Chief, Documentary Services Division, U.S. Department of Transportation, 202-366-9330.

### Request for Comments

The Coast Guard encourages interested persons to submit written comments. Persons submitting comments should include their names and addresses, identify this document (USCG-1999-5220) and the specific ICR to which each comment applies, and give the reason(s) for each comment. Please submit all comments and attachments in an unbound format no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. Persons wanting acknowledgment of receipt of comments should enclose stamped, self-addressed postcards or envelopes.

### Information Collection Requests

1. **Title:** Firefighting Equipment, Structural Fire Protection Materials, Lifesaving Equipment, and Marine Sanitation Devices.

**OMB Control Number:** 2115-0141.

**Summary:** The information in this report is needed by the Coast Guard to ensure that regulations governing specific types of safety equipment and material installed on commercial vessels and pleasure craft are met. Manufacturers are required to submit drawings, specifications, and laboratory test reports to the Coast Guard before any approval is given.

**Need:** 46 U.S.C. 2103, 3306, 3703, and 4302 authorize the Coast Guard to establish safety equipment and material regulations. 33 CFR, part 159, and 46 CFR, parts 160 to 164, prescribe these requirements. This information will be used to determine whether manufacturers are in compliance with Coast Guard regulations. When the Coast Guard approves any safety equipment or material for use on a commercial vessel or pleasure craft, the manufacturer is issued a Certificate of Approval.

**Respondents:** Safety equipment and material manufactures.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

**Burden:** The estimated burden is 7,220 hours annually.

2. **Title:** Plan Review for Facilities with Vapor Control Systems.

**OMB Control Number:** 2115-0581.

**Summary:** The information for this report is needed to ensure compliance with U.S. regulations for the design of a facility's vapor control system (VCS). Information is also needed to determine the qualifications of a certifying entity.

**Need:** 33 U.S.C. 1225 and 46 U.S.C. 3703 authorize, the Coast Guard to establish regulations to promote the safety of life and property of facilities and vessels. 33 CFR, part 154.800, prescribes the Coast Guard regulations for VCSs and certifying entities.

**Respondents:** Marine facilities with VCSs and VCS certifying entities.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

**Burden:** The estimated burden is 1,390 hours annually.

3. **Title:** Electrical Engineering Regulations—46 CFR Subchapter J.

**OMB Control Number:** 2115-0115.

**Summary:** The information for this report is needed to ensure compliance with U.S. electrical engineering regulations for the design and construction of U.S. flag commercial vessels.

**Need:** 46 U.S.C. 3306 and 3703 authorize the Coast Guard to establish regulations to promote the safety of life and property of commercial vessels. 46 CFR, Subchapter J (parts 110 to 113), prescribe the Coast Guard electrical engineering regulations.

**Respondents:** Vessel owners and operators and shipbuilders.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

**Burden:** The estimated burden is 478 hours annually.

4. **Title:** Application and Permit to Handle Hazardous Materials.

**OMB Control Number:** 2115-0013.

**Summary:** The information in this application allows the U.S. Coast Guard to determine whether safe practices are being followed for the stowage and handling of explosives and hazardous materials.

**Need:** 33 U.S.C. 1225 authorizes the Coast Guard to establish standards for the handling, storage, and movement of hazardous materials on a vessel or waterfront facility. 33 CFR 126.17 and 49 CFR 176.100 and 176.415, prescribe the regulations for facilities and vessels.

**Respondents:** Shipping agents and terminal operators that handle hazardous materials.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

**Burden:** The estimated burden is 395 hours annually.

5. **Title:** Operations Manual and Amendments for Facilities Transferring Oil and Hazardous Materials in Bulk.

**OMB Control Number:** 2115-0078.

**Summary:** The information for this report is needed to ensure compliance with U.S. regulations regarding facilities transferring oil and hazardous materials in bulk.

**Need:** 33 U.S.C. 1321 authorizes the Coast Guard to establish regulations to prevent the discharge of oil and hazardous materials from facilities. 33 CFR, part 154, prescribes the Coast Guard regulations for operations manuals.

**Respondents:** Owners and operators of facilities.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

**Burden:** The estimated burden is 22,632 hours annually.

6. *Title:* Operational Measures to Reduce Oil Spills from Existing Tank Vessels Without Double Hulls.

*OMB Control Number:* 2115-0629.

*Summary:* The information for this report is needed to ensure compliance with U.S. regulations regarding operational measures for certain tank vessels while operating in the U.S.

*Need:* 46 U.S.C. 3703a authorizes the Coast Guard to establish regulations to promote the safety of life and property of facilities vessels. 33 CFR, Subparts G and H, prescribe the Coast Guard regulations for operational measures.

*Respondents:* Tank vessel owners and operators.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Burden:* The estimated burden is 24,355 hours annually.

Dated: March 9, 1999.

**G.N. Naccara,**

*Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Director of Information and Technology.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Notice of intent To rule on application To Impose and Use the Revenue From a Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) at Tyler Pounds Field Airport, Tyler, TX

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to rule on application.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC at Tyler Pounds Field Airport under the provisions of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 (Title IX of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990) (Public Law 101-508) and Part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 158).

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before April 19, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments on this application may be mailed or delivered in triplicate copies to the FAA at the following address: Mr. Ben Guttery, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Airports Division, Planning and Programming Branch, ASW-610D, Fort Worth, Texas 76193-0610.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to Mr. David Dickson, Manager of Tyler Pounds Field Airport at the following address: Davis

Dickson, Airport Manager, Tyler Pounds Field Airport, 150 Airport Drive, Suite 201, Tyler, Texas 75704.

Air carriers and foreign air carriers may submit copies of the written comments previously provided to the Airport under Section 158.23 of Part 158.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Ben Guttery, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Airports Division, Planning and Programming Branch, ASW-610D, Fort Worth, Texas 76193-0610; (817) 222-5614.

The application may be reviewed in person at this same location.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC at Tyler Pounds Field Airport under the provisions of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 (Title IX of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990) (Pub. L. 101-508) and Part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 158).

On March 5, 1999, the FAA determined that the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC submitted by the Airport was substantially complete within the requirements of Section 158.25 of Part 158. The FAA will approve or disapprove the application, in whole or in part, no later than July 1, 1999.

The following is a brief overview of the application.

*Level of the proposed PFC:* \$3.00.

*Proposed charge effective date:* January 1, 2003.

*Proposed charge expiration date:* October 1, 2009.

*Total estimated PFC revenue:* \$1,123,700.00.

*PFC application number:* 99-03-C-00-TYR.

Brief description of proposed projects:

#### Projects To Impose and Use PFCs

New Passenger Terminal Building Area (Final Design and Bidding Phase) and PFC Application Fees.

*Proposed class or classes of air carriers to be exempted from collecting PFCs:* None.

Any person may inspect the application in person at the FAA office listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** and at the FAA regional Airports office located at: Federal Aviation Administration; Southwest Region, Airports Division; Planning and Programming Branch, ASW-610D, 2601 Meacham Blvd., Fort Worth, Texas 76137-4298.

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the application, notice

and other documents germane to the application in person at Tyler Pounds Field Airport.

Issued in Fort Worth, Texas on March 5, 1999.

**Naomi L. Saunders,**

*Manager, Airports Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Railroad Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and its implementing regulations, the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) hereby announces that it is seeking renewal of the following currently approved information collection activity. Before submitting these information collection requirements for clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), FRA is soliciting public comment on specific aspects of the activities identified below.

**DATES:** Comments must be received no later than May 17, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on any or all of the following proposed activities by mail to either: Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS-21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW., Mail Stop 17, Washington, DC 20590, or Ms. Dian Deal, Office of Information Technology and Productivity Improvement, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590. Commenters requesting FRA to acknowledge receipt of their respective comments must include a self-addressed stamped postcard stating, "Comments on OMB control number 2130-0539."

Alternatively, comments may be transmitted via facsimile to (202) 493-6265 or (202) 493-6170, or E-mail to Mr. Brogan at robert.brogan@fra.dot.gov, or to Ms. Deal at dian.deal@fra.dot.gov. Please refer to the assigned OMB control number in any correspondence submitted. FRA will summarize comments received in response to this notice in a subsequent notice and include them in its information collection submission to OMB for approval.