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Herbert L. Mitchell,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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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 activities. Before submitting these information collection requirements (ICRs) 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 December 9, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on any or all of the following proposed activities by mail to either: Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Safety, Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS-21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW., Mail Stop 17, Washington, DC 20590, or Ms. Debra Steward, 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 2130-0505, or OMB control number 2130-0548." 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. Debra Steward at debra.steward@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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS-21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW., Mail Stop 17, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6292) or Debra Steward, Office of Information Technology and Productivity Improvement, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6139). (These telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Public Law 104-13, section 2, 109 Stat. 163 (1995) (codified as revised at 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR Part 1320, require Federal agencies to provide 60-days notice to the public for comment on information collection activities before seeking approval for reinstatement or renewal by OMB. 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), 1320.10(e)(1), 1320.12(a). Specifically, FRA invites interested respondents to comment on the following summary of proposed information collection activities regarding (i) whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the activities will have practical utility; (ii) the accuracy of FRA's estimates of the burden of the information collection activities, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimates; (iii) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (iv) ways for FRA to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public by automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information

technology (e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses). See 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)(I)-(iv); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1)(I)-(iv). FRA believes that soliciting public comment will promote its efforts to reduce the administrative and paperwork burdens associated with the collection of information mandated by Federal regulations. In summary, FRA reasons that comments received will advance three objectives: (i) Reduce reporting burdens; (ii) ensure that it organizes information collection requirements in a "user friendly" format to improve the use of such information; and (iii) accurately assess the resources expended to retrieve and produce information requested. See 44 U.S.C. 3501.

Below is a brief summary of the currently approved ICRs that FRA will submit for clearance by OMB as required under the PRA:

Title: Inspection and Maintenance Standards for Steam Locomotives.

OMB Control Number: 2130-0505.

Abstract: The Locomotive Boiler Inspection Act (LBIA) of 1911 required each railroad subject to the Act to file copies of its rules and instructions for the inspection of locomotives. The original LBIA was expanded to cover the entire steam locomotive and tender and all its parts and appurtenances. This Act then requires carriers to make inspections and to repair defects to ensure the safe operation of steam locomotives. The collection of information is used by tourist or historic railroads and by locomotive owners/operators to provide a record for each day a steam locomotive is placed in service, as well as a record that the required steam locomotive inspections are completed. The collection of information is also used by FRA Federal inspectors to verify that necessary safety inspections and tests have been completed and to ensure that steam locomotives are indeed "safe and suitable" for service and are properly operated and maintained.

Affected Public: Businesses.

Respondent Universe: 82 owners/operators.

Frequency of Submission: On occasion; annually.

Reporting Burden:

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours	Total annual burden cost
230.6—Waivers	82 owners	2 waiver letters	1 hour	2	\$68
230.12—Conditions for movement—Non-Complying Locomotives.	82 owners/operators	10 tags	6 minutes	1	30
230.14—31 Service Day Inspection	82 owners/operators	100 reports	20 minutes	33	990
—Notifications	82 owners/operators	2 notifications	5 minutes .....	.17	6

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours	Total annual burden cost
230.15—92 Service Day Inspection	82 owners/operators	100 reports	20 minutes	33	990
230.16—Annual Inspection	82 owners/operators	100 reports	30 minutes	50	1,500
—Notifications	82 owners/operators	100 notifications	5 minutes	8	272
230.17—1,472 Service Day Inspection.	82 owners/operators	10 forms	30 minutes	5	150
230.20—Alteration Reports for Steam Locomotive Boilers.	82 owners/operators	5 reports	1 hour	5	150
230.21—Steam Locomotive Number Change.	82 owners/operators	1 document	2 minutes .....	.033	1
230.33—Welded Repairs/Alterations	82 owners/operators	5 letters	10 minutes	1	34
—Written Request to FRA for Approval—Unstayed Surfaces.	82 owners/operators	5 letters	10 minutes	1	34
230.34—Riveted Repairs/Alterations	82 owners/operators	10 requests	5 minutes	1	34
230.49—Setting of Safety Relief Valves.	82 owners/operators	38 tags	2 minutes	1.25	38
230.96—Main, Side, and Valve Motion Rods.	82 owners/operators	1 letter	10 minutes .....	.17	5
Record Keeping Requirements:					
230.13—Daily Inspection Reports ...	82 owners/oper.	3,650 reports	2 minutes	122	3,660
230.17—1,472 Service Day Inspection.	82 owners/operators	10 reports	15 minutes	3	90
230.18—Service Day Report	82 owners/operators	150 reports	15 minutes	38	1,140
230.19—Posting of Copy	82 owners/operators	300 forms	1 minute	5	15
230.41—Flexible Stay Bolts with Caps.	82 owners/operators	10 entries	1 minute .....	.17	5
230.46—Badge Plates	82 owners/operators	3 reports	30 minutes	2	60
230.47—Boiler Number	82 owners/operators	1 report	15 minutes .....	.25	8
230.75—Stenciling Dates of Tests and Cleaning.	82 owners/operators	50 tests	15 minute	1	30
230.98—Driving, Trailing, and Engine Truck Axles—Journal Diameter Stamped.	82 owners/operators	1 stamp	15 minutes .....	.25	8
230.116—Oil Tanks	82 owners/operators	10 signs	1 minute .....	.17	5

Total Responses: 4,674.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 313 hours.

Status: Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.

Title: Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Financing Program.

OMB Control Number: 2130-0548.

Abstract: Prior to the enactment of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century ("TEA 21"), Title V of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 (the "Act"), 45 U.S.C. 821 *et seq.*, authorized FRA to provide railroad financial assistance through the purchase of preference shares (45 U.S.C. 825), and the issuance of loan guarantees (45 U.S.C. 831). The

FRA regulations implementing the preference share program were eliminated on February 9, 1996, due to the fact that the authorization for the program expired (28 FR 4937). The FRA regulations implementing the loan guarantee provisions of Title V of the Act are contained in 49 CFR Part 260. Section 7203 of TEA 21, Public Law 105-178 (June 9, 1998), replaces the existing Title V financing programs. The collection of information is used by FRA staff to determine the financial eligibility of applicants for a loan or loan guarantee regarding eligible projects for the improvement/rehabilitation of rail equipment or facilities, the refinancing of outstanding

debt for these purposes, or the development of new intermodal or railroad facilities. The aggregate unpaid principal amounts of obligations can not exceed \$3.5 billion at any one time and not less than \$1 billion is to be available solely for projects benefitting freight railroads other than Class I carriers.

Affected Public: State and local governments, governments sponsored authorities and corporations, railroads (including Amtrak), and joint ventures that include at least one railroad.

Respondent Universe: 21,956 potential applicants.

Frequency of Submission: Annual.

Reporting Burden:

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response (in hours)	Total annual burden hours	Total annual burden cost
260.23—Form and content of application generally.	21,956 potential applicants	20 applications	20	400	\$16,036
260.25—Additional information for applicants without credit ratings.	555 applicants	18 financial document pkgs	40	720	27,936
260.31—Execution and filing of application:					
—Certificate of President	21,956 pot. applicants	20 certificates .....	.6	12	526
—Certificate of Chief Financial Officer.	21,956 pot. applicants	20 certificates .....	.6	12	519

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response (in hours)	Total annual burden hours	Total annual burden cost
—Transmittal letter	21,956 pot. applicants	20 letters .....	.6	12	519
—Copy/mail app. pkg	21,956 pot. applicants	20 app. pkgs	1.5	30	912
260.33—Information Request	21,956 pot. applicants	20 statements	1	20	851
260.35—Environmental Assessment	21,956 pot. applicants	1 env. Doc	4,475	4,475	537,000
260.43—Inspection and Reporting	21,956 pot. applicants	20 Docs	10	200	8,510

Total Responses: 159.

Estimated Total Annual Burden:

5,881 hours.

Status: Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.

Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 3507(a) and 5 CFR 1320.5(b), 1320.8(b)(3)(vi), FRA informs all interested parties that it may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520.

Issued in Washington, DC on October 3, 2002.

Kathy A. Weiner,

Director, Office of Information Technology and Support Systems, Federal Railroad Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Reports, Forms and Record Keeping Requirements; Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

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 has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collections and their expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period was published on June 25, 2002 (67 FR 42844–42846).

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 8, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

George Person, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Office of Defects Investigation, 202–366–5210. 400 Seventh Street, SW., Room 5326, Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Title: Reporting of Information and Documents About Potential Defects—Retention of Records 49 CFR part 579.

OMB Number: 2127–0616.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Abstract: The Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability, and Documentation (TREAD) Act was enacted on November 1, 2000, Public Law 106–414. This Act includes a requirement that the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) conduct Early Warning Reporting (EWR) rulemaking to require manufacturers of motor vehicles and motor vehicle equipment to submit information, periodically or upon NHTSA's request, that includes claims for deaths and serious injuries, property damage data, communications to customers and others, information on incidents resulting in fatalities or serious injuries from possible defects in vehicles or equipment in the United States or in identical or substantially similar vehicles or equipment in a foreign country, and other information that would assist NHTSA in identifying potential safety-related defects. The intent of this legislation is to provide early warning of such potential safety-related defects.

Estimated Burden Hours: 240,284.

Number of Respondents: 444.

ADDRESSES: Send comments, within 30 days, to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725–17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention NHTSA Desk Officer.

Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be

collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

A Comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 4, 2002.

Delmas Maxwell Johnson,

Associate Administrator for Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Departmental Offices; Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Departmental Offices, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of Proposed New Privacy Act System of Records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, 5 U.S.C. 552a, the Treasury Department, Departmental Offices, gives notice of a newly proposed system of records, “Treasury/DO .214–DC Pensions Retirement Records.”

DATES: Comments must be received no later than November 8, 2002. The proposed new system of records will become effective November 18, 2002 unless comments are received which would result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to Department of the Treasury, ATTN: Marc Rigrodsky, Office of the General Counsel, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Room 1410, Washington, DC 20220, or to marc.rigrodsky@do.treas.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Marc Rigrodsky, (202) 622–0450.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of the Treasury (Department) is establishing the DC Pensions Retirement Records system to assist the Department in carrying out its responsibilities under Title XI of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, Pub. L. 105–33, as amended (the Act), for