

automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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Stephen R. Kratzke,

Associate Administrator for Rulemaking.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA-2004-18653; Notice 1]

Baby Trend, Inc., Receipt of Petition for Decision of Inconsequential Noncompliance

Baby Trend, Inc. (Baby Trend) has determined that certain child restraint seats that it produced and sold between approximately June 2002 and June 2003 do not comply with S5.2.3.2(a) of 49 CFR 571.213, Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 213, "Child restraint systems." Baby Trend has filed an appropriate report pursuant to 49 CFR part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports."

Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 30118(d) and 30120(h), Baby Trend has petitioned for an exemption from the notification and remedy requirements of 49 U.S.C. chapter 301 on the basis that this noncompliance is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety.

This notice of receipt of Baby Trend's petition is published under 49 U.S.C. 30118 and 30120 and does not represent any agency decision or other exercise of judgment concerning the merits of the petition.

A total of approximately 150,730 Latch-Loc infant car seats, Model #6078 (65,798 seats), Model #6076 (44,649 seats), Model #6020 (25,506 seats) and Model #6188 (14,777 seats) are affected. S5.2.3.2 of FMVSS No. 213 requires that:

Each system surface * * * which is contactable by the dummy head when the system is tested in accordance with S6.1 shall be covered with slow recovery, energy absorbing material with the following characteristics: (a) A 25 percent compression-deflection resistance of not less than 0.5 and not more than 10 pounds per square inch when tested in accordance with S6.3.

The foam covering as molded onto the seat back of these seats has a compression-deflection resistance of 0.3 pounds per square inch, and therefore does not meet the compression-deflection resistance required by S5.2.3.2(a).

Baby Trend believes that the noncompliance is inconsequential to

motor vehicle safety and that no corrective action is warranted. Baby Trend states:

Technical issues were * * * noted involving variability in application of testing methodologies between Certified Analytical Laboratory Services, Inc. (formerly CALSPAN) and NHTSA staff. Certified Analytical Laboratory Services applied the Section 6.3.4.2 [sic—should say 6.3.1] compression-deflection resistance methodology on square sheet stock white foam in the appropriate ambient laboratory conditions and did not note any lack of conformance for white foam material with no back, green foam material with no back, white shaped foam material with no back, green shaped foam material with polybead backing and white foam shaped material with polybead backing. This information was supplied by the Company to NHTSA staff. Questions arose between the laboratory technicians about variability in testing methodologies to ensure absolute real world integrity of the product as it related to performance of the energy absorbing foam material in actual use as molded on seat shells. The Company also performed a Regulation No. 44, Annex 17 Test of the Energy Absorbing Material on the seats with calibrated dummies (* * * which in turn noted satisfactory real-world energy absorption performance of the molded foam covered seat shells). * * * [T]he Company does not believe that the product presents any real world safety hazard as verified by highly sensitive testing with calibrated dummies on actual production product.

Baby Trend further states:

[T]he Company has undertaken additional testing of the subject products in accordance with [revised FMVSS No. 213 (68 CFR 37620)]. * * * Despite the fact that testing to the revised Standard is not yet required, the Company has undertaken such testing to ensure that the technical non-compliance alleged with the component of the subject products is inconsequential as it relates to child restraint system safety. Testing was performed at Advanced Information Engineering Services Transportation Sciences Center during June 2004, utilizing the Center's tandem configuration HYGESled with reinforced seat covers on both benches. Three sled tests were performed utilizing six (6) subject seats in the rearward facing reclined configuration with either a 9-month-old size dummy or a 12-month-old size crab dummy employing either the integral rigid latch system or the "soft latch" restraint system. Results of the tests indicated that the products were in compliance to the requirements of the revised FMVSS No. 213.

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments on the petition described above. Comments must refer to the docket and notice number cited at the beginning of this notice and be submitted by any of the following methods. Mail: Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, Nassif Building, Room

PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. Hand Delivery: Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC. It is requested, but not required, that two copies of the comments be provided. The Docket Section is open on weekdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. except Federal holidays. Comments may be submitted electronically by logging onto the Docket Management System Web site at <http://dms.dot.gov>. Click on "Help" to obtain instructions for filing the document electronically. Comments may be faxed to 1-202-493-2251, or may be submitted to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

The petition, supporting materials, and all comments received before the close of business on the closing date indicated below will be filed and will be considered. All comments and supporting materials received after the closing date will also be filed and will be considered to the extent possible. When the petition is granted or denied, notice of the decision will be published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to the authority indicated below.

Comment closing date: August 30, 2004.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30118, 30120; delegations of authority at CFR 1.50 and 501.8.

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Kenneth N. Weinstein,

Associate Administrator for Enforcement.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury and its Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, as part of their continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invite the public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). Currently, we are seeking comments on TTB Form

5013.1 titled "Electronic Filing User Access Enrollment Form."

DATES: We must receive your written comments on or before September 27, 2004.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments to Sandra Turner, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, at any of these addresses:

- P.O. Box 14412, Washington, DC 20044-4412;
- (202) 927-8525 (facsimile); or
- formcomments@ttb.gov (e-mail).

Please reference the information collection's title, form or recordkeeping requirement number, and OMB number (if any) in your comment. If you submit your comment via facsimile, send no more than five 8.5 x 11 inch pages in order to ensure electronic access to our equipment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To obtain additional information, copies of the information collection and its instructions, or copies of any comments received, contact Sandra Turner, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, P.O. Box 14412, Washington, DC 20044-4412; or telephone (202) 927-8210.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Electronic Filing User Access Enrollment Form.

OMB Number: 1513-0109.

TTB Form Number: 5013.1.

Abstract: The purpose of TTB F 5013.1 is to authenticate end users in a pilot program to electronically file excise taxes. The information is used by the Government to verify the identity of the end users prior to issuing them passwords.

Current Actions: There are no changes to this information collection and it is being submitted for extension purposes only.

Type of Review: Extension.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 25.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 7.

Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be included or summarized in our request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of this information collection. All comments are part of the public record and subject to disclosure. Please not do include any confidential or inappropriate material in your comments.

We invite comments on: (a) Whether this information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the

agency's functions, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the information collection's burden; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; (d) ways to minimize the information collection's burden on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide the requested information.

Dated: July 21, 2004.

William H. Foster,

Chief, Regulations and Procedures Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Fiscal Service

**Financial Management Service:
Proposed Collection of Information:
Depositor's Application for Payment of
Postal Savings Certificate (TFS 5118)**

AGENCY: Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Financial Management Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a continuing information collection. By this notice, the Financial Management Service solicits comments concerning the "Depositor's Application for Payment of Postal Savings Certificate (TFS 1158)".

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 27, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Financial Management Service, 3700 East West Highway, Records and Information Management Program Staff, Room 135, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to Rose Brewer, Judgment Fund Branch, 3700 East West Highway, Room 630F, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, (202) 874-6664.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), the Financial Management Service solicits comments on the collection of information described below:

Title: Depositor's Application for Payment of Postal Savings Certificate.

OMB Number: 1510-0029.

Form Number: TFS 5118.

Abstract: This form is used when depositors have lost, destroyed or misplaced their Postal Savings Certificates. This form replaces the certificates to support the application for payment.

Current Actions: Extension of currently approved collection.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 200.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 50.

Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: July 14, 2004.

Wanda Rogers,

Assistant Commissioner, Financial Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Office of Research and Development;
Government Owned Invention
Available for Licensing**

AGENCY: Office of Research and Development, Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice of Government Owned Invention Available for Licensing.

SUMMARY: The invention listed below is owned by the U.S. Government as represented by the Department of