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## **SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

[Disaster Declaration # 10567 and # 10568]

### **Texas Disaster Number TX-00195**

**AGENCY:** Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Amendment 1.

**SUMMARY:** This is an amendment of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Texas (FEMA-1658-DR), dated 8/15/2006.

*Incident:* Flooding.

*Incident Period:* 7/31/2006 and continuing through 8/25/2006.

**DATES:** Effective Date: 8/25/2006.

*Physical Loan Application Deadline Date:* 10/16/2006.

*EIDL Loan Application Deadline Date:* 5/15/2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, National Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road Fort Worth, TX 76155.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice of the President's major disaster declaration for the State of Texas, dated 8/15/2006, is hereby amended to establish the incident period for this disaster as beginning 7/31/2006 and continuing through 8/25/2006.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

**Roger B. Garland,**

*Acting Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.*

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## **SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

### **Small Business Size Standards: Waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of Waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Plastics Pallets (Twin Sheet Thermoformed).

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is granting a

waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Plastics Pallets (Twin Sheet Thermoformed).

The basis for waiver is that no small business manufacturers are supplying this class of product to the Federal government. The effect of a waiver would be to allow otherwise qualified regular dealers to supply the products of any domestic manufacturer on a Federal contract set aside for small businesses; service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses or SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program.

**DATES:** This waiver is effective September 27, 2006.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Edith Butler, Program Analyst, by telephone at (202) 619-0422; by fax at (202) 481-1788; or by e-mail at [edith.butler@sba.gov](mailto:edith.butler@sba.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 8(a)(17) of the Small Business Act, (Act) 15 U.S.C. 637(a)(17), requires that recipients of Federal contracts set aside for small businesses, service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses, or SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program provide the product of a small business manufacturer or processor, if the recipient is other than the actual manufacturer or processor of the product. This requirement is commonly referred to as the Nonmanufacturer Rule. The SBA regulations imposing this requirement are found at 13 CFR 121.406(b). Section 8(a)(17)(b)(iv) of the Act authorizes SBA to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for any “class of products” for which there are no small business manufacturers or processors available to participate in the Federal market.

As implemented in SBA's regulations at 13 CFR 121.1202(c), in order to be considered available to participate in the Federal market for a class of products, a small business manufacturer must have submitted a proposal for a contract solicitation or received a contract from the Federal government within the last 24 months. The SBA defines “class of products” based on six digit coding systems. The first coding system is the Office of Management and Budget North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). The second is the Product and Service Code required as a data entry field by the Federal Procurement Data System.

The SBA received a request on July 12, 2006, to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Plastics Pallets (Twin Sheet Thermoformed).

In response, on August 9, 2006, SBA published in the **Federal Register** a notice of intent to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Plastics

Pallets (Twin Sheet Thermoformed). SBA explained in the notice that it was soliciting comments and sources of small business manufacturers of this class of products. In response to this notice, no comments were received from any interested party. SBA has determined that there are no small business manufacturers of this class of products, and is therefore granting the waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Plastics Pallets (Twin Sheet Thermoformed). NAICS code 326199 and product number 4141.

**Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 637(a)(17).

Dated: August 31, 2006.

**Karen C. Hontz,**

*Associate Administrator for Government Contracting.*

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## **SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION**

### **Additional Options for Requesting Administrative Review—Title II and Title XVI; Withdrawal**

**AGENCY:** Social Security Administration (SSA).

**ACTION:** Withdrawal of notice.

**SUMMARY:** We are withdrawing the notice we published in the **Federal Register** Notice on August 14, 2006. That notice explained that the Agency intended to expand the methods available for requesting administrative review by accepting oral requests from claimants in person or by telephone. In developing the business process, we discovered this change would not provide the same protections to the claimant that exist in the current process. As a result, we have determined that we will not change the appeal process in this manner at this time.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* This withdrawal will be effective on September 12, 2006.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Rosemary Carey, Leader, Due Process Team, Social Security Administration, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235, (410) 965-7936 or TTY (410) 966-5609.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On August 14, 2006 (71 FR 46535), we published in the **Federal Register** a notice entitled Additional Options for Requesting Administrative Review—Title II and Title XVI. That notice explained that we intended to expand the methods available for requesting administrative review of our determinations or decisions in the Social Security and

Supplemental Security Income programs by accepting oral requests from claimants in person or by telephone. Due to unanticipated business process considerations regarding such oral requests, we are rescinding this change. However, we will honor any oral requests that we have received from August 14, 2006, until the effective date of this withdrawal notice.

Dated: September 6, 2006.

**Martin H. Gerry,**

*Deputy Commissioner for Disability and Income Security Programs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5543]

### Determination on U.S. Position on Proposed European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) Project in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Pursuant to section 561 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2006 (Pub. L. 109-102) (FOAA), and Department of State Delegation of Authority Number 289, I hereby determine that the proposed 20 million Euro EBRD investment package, to provide financing to Raiffeisen Bank Bosnia and Herzegovina (RBBH) for expanded financing of small and medium-size enterprises (SMEs) and retail lending, will contribute to a stronger and more integrated economy in Bosnia and Herzegovina and directly support implementation of the Dayton Accords. I therefore waive the application of Section 561 of the FOAA to the extent that provision would otherwise prevent the U.S. Executive Directors of the EBRD from voting in favor of this project.

This Determination shall be reported to the Congress and published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: August 31, 2006.

**Daniel Fried,**

*Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs, Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Transit Administration

[FTA Docket No. FTA-2006-25778]

### Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

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

**ACTION:** Notice of request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Transit Administration invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval to renew the following information collections:

- (1) Bus Testing Program.
- (2) Transit Research, Development, Demonstration and Deployment Projects. The collections involve our Bus Testing and Transit Research Programs. The information to be collected for the Bus Testing Program is necessary to ensure that buses have been tested at the Bus Testing Center for maintainability, reliability, safety, performance, structural integrity, fuel economy, emissions, and noise. The information to be collected for Transit Research, Development, Demonstration and Deployment Projects is necessary to determine eligibility of applicants and ensure mass transportation service at a minimum cost. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments was published on June 20, 2006.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted before October 12, 2006. A comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sylvia L. Marion, Office of Administration, Office of Management Planning, (202) 366-6680.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Bus Testing Program (OMB Number: 2132-0550).

*Abstract:* 49 U.S.C. 5323(c) provides that no Federal funds appropriated or made available after September 30, 1989, may be obligated or expended for the acquisition of a new bus model (including any model using alternative fuels) unless the bus has been tested at the Bus Testing Center (Center) in Altoona, Pennsylvania. 49 U.S.C. 5318(a) further specifies that each new bus model is to be tested for maintainability, reliability, safety, performance (including braking performance), structural integrity, fuel economy, emissions, and noise.

The operator of the Bus Testing Center, the Pennsylvania Transportation Institute (PTI), has entered into a cooperative agreement with FTA. PTI operates and maintains the Center, and establishes and collects fees for the testing of the vehicles at the facility. Upon completion of the testing of the vehicle at the Center, a test report is provided to the manufacturer of the new bus model. The bus manufacturer certifies to an FTA grantee that the bus the grantee is purchasing to an FTA grantee has been tested at the Center. Also, grantees about to purchase a bus use this report to assist them in making their purchasing decisions. PTI maintains a reference file for all the test reports which are made available to the public.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 404 hours.

*Title:* 49 U.S.C. Section 5312(a) Transit Research, Development, Demonstration and Deployment Projects.

*Abstract:* 49 U.S.C. 5312(a) authorizes the Secretary of Transportation to make grants or contracts for research, development, demonstration and deployment projects, and evaluation of technology of national significance to public transportation, that the Secretary determines will improve mass transportation service or help transportation service meet the total urban transportation needs at a minimum cost. In carrying out the provisions of this section, the Secretary is also authorized to request and receive appropriate information from any source.

The information collected is submitted as part of the application for grants and cooperative agreements and is used to determine eligibility of applicants. Collection of this information also provides documentation that the applicants and recipients are meeting program objectives and are complying with FTA Circular 6100.1B and other Federal requirements.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 11,240 hours.

**ADDRESSES:** All written comments must refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document and be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: FTA Desk Officer.

*Comments are Invited On:* Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department,