

(c) The tire size designation as listed in the documents and publications designated in S5.1.

## V. Summary of CTA's Analyses

CTA stated its belief that the subject noncompliance is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety for the following reasons:

(A) CTA notes that the only improper marking on the sidewall of the subject tires is the use of the letter character "B" in the tire size designation instead of a hyphen character "-", and that from its experience it believes that most motorcycle tire consumers do not understand the differences in tire construction and therefore do not base tire purchases on the tire construction type.

(B) CTA stated that the subject tires were built as designed and that the performance requirements and testing requirements specified in FMVSS No. 119 are exactly the same for both bias-belted and diagonal (bias) tires.

(C) CTA believes that the subject noncompliance has no impact on the safety of vehicles on which the subject tires are mounted and that the subject tires meet or exceed all the performance requirement of FMVSS No. 119.

(D) CTA also stated that it is not aware of any crashes, injuries, customer complaints, or field reports associated with the subject noncompliance.

CTA additionally informed NHTSA that the molds at the manufacturing plant have been corrected so that no additional tires will be manufactured or sold with the noncompliance.

In summation, CTA believes that the described noncompliance of the subject tires is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety, and that its petition, to exempt CTA from providing recall notification of noncompliance as required by 49 U.S.C. 30118 and remedying the recall noncompliance as required by 49 U.S.C. 30120 should be granted.

### NHTSA's Decision

**NHTSA's Analysis of CTA's Arguments:** CTA acknowledges that the subject tires were wrongly stamped with the size marking "120/70B19 M/C 60Q," which includes the construction code designator "B" that incorrectly indicates bias-belted ply construction. The tires should have been marked "120/70-19M/C 60Q," which includes the hyphen "-" indicating diagonal (bias) ply construction.

Because bias-belted motorcycle tires and diagonal (bias) motorcycle tires require the same rim specification, there is no additional possibility of confusion when mounting a bias-belted or a diagonal bias tire due to the noncompliance.

Furthermore, there is no additional safety risk of overloading or over pressurization due to the subject noncompliance because the maximum permissible pressures and maximum permissible loads for the subject tires as listed in the Tire and Rim Association Yearbook are the same for all three types of motorcycle tire ply construction; radial, diagonal (bias), and bias-belted.

Because mislabeling has no impact on the operational performance or durability of these tires, or on the safety of vehicles on which these tires are mounted, NHTSA agrees with CTA that the noncompliance is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety.

**NHTSA's Decision:** In consideration of the foregoing, NHTSA has decided that CTA has met its burden of persuasion that the noncompliance described is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety. Accordingly, CTA's petition is hereby granted and CTA is exempted from the obligation of providing notification of, and remedy for the subject noncompliance.

NHTSA notes that the statutory provisions (49 U.S.C. 30118(d) and 30120(h)) that permit manufacturers to file petitions for a determination of inconsequentiality allow NHTSA to exempt manufacturers only from the duties found in sections 30118 and 30120, respectively, to notify owners, purchasers, and dealers of a defect or noncompliance and to remedy the defect or noncompliance. Therefore, this decision only applies to the subject tires that CTA no longer controlled at the time it determined that the noncompliance existed. However, the granting of this petition does not relieve tire distributors and dealers of the prohibitions on the sale, offer for sale, or introduction or delivery for introduction into interstate commerce of the noncompliant tires under their control after CTA notified them that the subject noncompliance existed.

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 30118, 30120; Delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.95 and 501.8.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Bureau of Transportation Statistics

[Docket ID Number DOT-OST-2014-0031]

### Agency Information Collection; Activity Under OMB Review; Submission of Audit Reports—Part 248

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology (OST-R), Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS), Department of Transportation.

**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 extension of currently approved collections. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on April 21, 2015 (80 FR 22264). No comments were received.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted by August 7, 2015.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeff Gorham, Office of Airline Information, RTS-42, Room E34, OST-R, BTS, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001, Telephone Number (202) 366-4406, Fax Number (202) 366-3383 or E-MAIL [jeff.gorham@dot.gov](mailto:jeff.gorham@dot.gov).

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

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**OMB Approval No.** 2138-0004.

**Title:** Submission of Audit Reports—Part 248.

**Form No.:** None.

**Type Of Review:** Extension of a currently approved collection.

**Respondents:** Large certificated air carriers.

**Number of Respondents:** 63.

**Number of Responses:** 63.

**Total Annual Burden:** 20 hours.

**Needs and Uses:** BTS collects independent audited financial reports from U.S. certificated air carriers. Carriers not having an annual audit must file a statement that no such audit has been performed. In lieu of the audit report, BTS will accept the annual report submitted to the stockholders. The audited reports are needed by the

Department of Transportation as: (1) A means to monitor an air carrier's continuing fitness to operate; (2) reference material used by analysts in examining foreign route cases; (3) reference material used by analyst in examining proposed mergers, acquisitions and consolidations; (4) a means whereby BTS sends a copy of the report to the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) in fulfillment of a United States treaty obligation; and, (5) corroboration of a carrier's Form 41 filings.

The Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (44 U.S.C. 3501), requires a statistical agency to clearly identify information it collects for non-statistical purposes. BTS hereby notifies the respondents and the public that BTS uses the information it collects under this OMB approval for non-statistical purposes including, but not limited to, publication of both Respondent's identity and its data, and submission of the information to agencies outside BTS for review, analysis and possible use in regulatory and other administrative matters.

Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department concerning consumer protection. Comments should address 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.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Bureau of Transportation Statistics

[Docket ID Number: DOT-OST-2014-0031]

#### Agency Information Collection; Activity Under OMB Review; Reporting Required for International Civil Aviation Organization

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology

(OST-R), Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS), 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 extension of currently approved collections. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on April 21, 2015 (80 FR 22265). No comments were received.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted by August 7, 2015.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeff Gorham, Office of Airline Information, RTS-42, Room E34, OST-R, BTS, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001, Telephone Number (202) 366-4406, Fax Number (202) 366-3383 or E-MAIL [jeff.gorham@dot.gov](mailto:jeff.gorham@dot.gov).

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

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*OMB Approval No.* 2138-0039.

*Title:* Reporting Required for International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

*Form No.:* BTS Form EF.

*Type Of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Large certificated air carriers.

*Number of Respondents:* 38.

*Number of Responses:* 38.

*Total Annual Burden:* 26 hours.

*Needs and Uses:* As a party to the Convention on International Civil Aviation (Treaty), the United States is obligated to provide ICAO with financial and statistical data on operations of U.S. air carriers. Over 99% of the data filed with ICAO is extracted from the air carriers' Form 41 submissions to BTS. BTS Form EF is the means by which BTS supplies the remaining 1% of the air carrier data to ICAO.

The Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (44 U.S.C. 3501), requires a statistical agency to clearly identify information it collects for non-statistical purposes. BTS hereby notifies the respondents and the public that BTS uses the information it collects under

this OMB approval for non-statistical purposes including, but not limited to, publication of both Respondent's identity and its data, and submission of the information to agencies outside BTS for review, analysis and possible use in regulatory and other administrative matters.

Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department concerning consumer protection. Comments should address 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.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Bureau of Transportation Statistics

[Docket: DOT-OST-2014-0031 BTS  
Paperwork Reduction Notice]

#### Agency Information Collection; Activity Under OMB Review; Report of Extension of Credit to Political Candidates

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology (OST-R), Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS), Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request, abstracted below, is being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget for extension of currently approved reporting requirement. Earlier, a **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period was published on April 21, 2015 (80 FR 22265).

The agency did not receive any comments to its previous notice.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted by August 7, 2015.