admission into the United States unless NHTSA has decided that the motor vehicle is substantially similar to a motor vehicle originally manufactured for importation into and sale in the United States, certified as required under 49 U.S.C. 30115, and of the same model year as the model of the motor vehicle to be compared, and is capable of being readily altered to conform to all applicable FMVSS.

Petitions for eligibility decisions may be submitted by either manufacturers or importers who have registered with NHTSA pursuant to 49 CFR part 592. As specified in 49 CFR 593.7, NHTSA publishes notice in the Federal Register of each petition that it receives, and affords interested persons an opportunity to comment on the petition. At the close of the comment period, NHTSA decides, on the basis of the petition and any comments that it has received, whether the vehicle is eligible for importation. The agency then publishes this decision in the Federal Register.

Wallace Environmental Testing Laboratories Inc. (WETL) of Houston, Texas (Registered Importer R–90–005), petitioned NHTSA to decide whether MY 2012 Fisker Karma PCs are eligible for importation into the United States. NHTSA published a notice of the petition on December 10, 2015 (80 FR 76741) to afford an opportunity for public comment. The reader is referred to that notice for a thorough description of the petition.

Comments

On January 15, 2015, comments were received from Derek Nelson challenging the petition's representation that off-the-shelf U.S. model components are readily available to replace non-U.S. model components, including passenger seatbelt assemblies, passenger front airbag modules, left knee bolsters, right knee bolsters, and instrument clusters. Mr. Nelson further expressed the opinion that the MY 2012 Fisker Karma passenger cars should be imported only for display or testing purposes, and that, upon completion of display or testing, the vehicles should be exported or destroyed.

On February 9, 2016, David Strader of Karma Automotive, LLC, responded to Mr. Nelson's comments by stating that there are sufficient quantities of U.S. specification, off-the-shelf, safety and instrumentation components available to the general public from authorized service providers in the U.S. He also stated that the list of authorized service providers is available on the Web site www.karmaautomotive.com.

Comments and Conclusions

NHTSA has reviewed the petition, the comments from Mr. Nelson and the response to those comments from Mr. Strader, and has concluded that the vehicles covered by the petition are capable of being readily altered to comply with all applicable FMVSS.

However, NHTSA has additionally decided that any RI who imports or modifies one of these vehicles must include in the statement of conformity and associated documents (referred to as a "conformity package") it submits to NHTSA under 49 CFR 592.6(d) additional specific proof to confirm that the vehicle was manufactured to conform to, or was successfully altered to conform to, FMVSS No. 208 Occupant Protection. This proof must include detailed descriptions of all modifications made to achieve conformity with the standard, including a detailed description of the occupant protection system in place on the vehicle at the time was delivered to the RI and a similarly detailed description of the occupant protection system in place after the vehicle is altered, including photographs of all required labeling. The description must also include parts assembly diagrams and associated part numbers for all components that were removed from or installed on the vehicle, a description of how any computer programming changes were completed, and a description of how compliance was verified after alterations were completed. Photographs (e.g., monitor print screen captures) or report printouts, as practicable, must be submitted as proof that any computer reprogramming was carried out successfully.

In addition to the information specified above, each conformity package must also include evidence showing how the RI verified that any changes it made in loading or reprogramming vehicle software to achieve conformity with each separate FMVSS did not cause the vehicle to fall out of compliance with any other applicable FMVSS.

Decision

Accordingly, on the basis of the foregoing, NHTSA hereby decides that MY 2012 Fisker Karma passenger cars that were not originally manufactured to comply with all applicable FMVSS are substantially similar to 2012 Fisker Karma PCs manufactured for importation into and/or sale in the United States, and certified under 49 U.S.C. 30115, and are capable of being readily altered to conform to all

applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards.

Vehicle Eligibility Number for Subject Vehicles

The importer of a vehicle admissible under any final decision must indicate on the form HS–7 accompanying entry the appropriate vehicle eligibility number indicating that the vehicle is eligible for entry. VSP–577 is the vehicle eligibility number assigned to vehicles admissible under this notice of final decision.

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

Jeffrey M. Giuseppe,

Director, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance. [FR Doc. 2016–05164 Filed 3–8–16; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA-2016-0022]

Pipeline Safety: Information Collection Activities

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, PHMSA invites comments on an information collection under Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Control No. 2137–0605, titled "Integrity Management in High Consequence Areas for Operators of Hazardous Liquid Pipelines." PHMSA is preparing to request approval from OMB for a renewal of the currently approved information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 9, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted in the following ways:

E-Gov Web site: http:// www.regulations.gov. This site allows the public to enter comments on any Federal Register notice issued by any agency.

Fax: 1-202-493-2251.

Mail: Docket Management Facility; U.S. DOT, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

Hand Delivery: Room W12–140 on the ground level of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington,

DC, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Instructions: Identify the docket number, PHMSA-2016-0022, at the beginning of your comments. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to http:// www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. You should know that anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Therefore, you may want to review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the Federal Register published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477) or visit http://www.regulations.gov before submitting any such comments.

Docket: For access to the docket or to read background documents or comments, go to http:// www.regulations.gov at any time or to Room W12–140 on the ground level of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. If you wish to receive confirmation of receipt of your written comments, please include a self-addressed, stamped postcard with the following statement: "Comments on PHMSA-2016-0022." The Docket Clerk will date stamp the postcard prior to returning it to you via the U.S. mail. Please note that due to delays in the delivery of U.S. mail to Federal offices in Washington, DC, we recommend that persons consider an alternative method (internet, fax, or professional delivery service) of submitting comments to the docket and ensuring their timely receipt at DOT.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Angela Dow by telephone at 202–366–1246, by fax at 202–366–4566, or by mail at DOT, PHMSA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., PHP–30, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 1320.8(d), title 5, Code of Federal Regulations, requires PHMSA to provide interested members of the public and affected agencies an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping requests. This notice identifies an information collection request that PHMSA will be submitting to OMB for renewal and extension. The information collection expires November 30, 2016, and is identified under Control No. 2137–0605, titled: "Integrity Management in High

Consequence Areas for Operators of Hazardous Liquid Pipelines." The following information is provided for this information collection: (1) Title of the information collection; (2) OMB control number; (3) Type of request; (4) Abstract of the information collection activity; (5) Description of affected public; (6) Estimate of total annual reporting and recordkeeping burden; and (7) Frequency of collection. PHMSA will request a three-year term of approval for this information collection activity. PHMSA requests comments on the following information collection:

Title: Integrity Management in High Consequence Areas for Operators of Hazardous Liquid Pipelines.

OMB Control Number: 2137–0605.
Current Expiration Date: 11/30/2016.
Abstract: Hazardous liquid operators with pipelines located in or that could affect high consequence areas (i.e., commercially navigable waterways, high population areas, other populated areas, and unusually sensitive areas as defined in 49 CFR 195.450) are subject to information collection requirements in the Integrity Management Program provisions of 49 CFR 195.452, including certain notifications and recordkeeping

Affected Public: All pipeline operators of hazardous liquid pipelines located in or that could affect high consequence areas.

Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:

Annual Responses: 203. Annual Burden Hours: 325,470. Frequency of collection: On Occasion. Comments are invited on:

(a) The need for the proposed collection of information for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques.

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John A. Gale,

Director, Standards and Rulemaking. [FR Doc. 2016–05159 Filed 3–8–16; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–60–P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

GPS Adjacent Band Compatibility Assessment Testing

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology, Department of Transportation. **ACTION:** Notice; Request for voluntary participation.

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation, through the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology (OST–R), will begin testing Global Positioning System/Global Navigation Satellite System ("GPS/GNSS") receivers this April pursuant to the DOT Adjacent Band Compatibility Study ("the Study") test plan published with this notice. Device testing will take place at the U.S. Army Research Laboratory at the White Sands Missile Range (WSMR) facility in New Mexico.

The Study provides for testing categories of receivers that include aviation (non-certified), cellular, general location/navigation, high precision, timing, networks, and space-based receivers. DOT seeks to include a broad range of devices used in rail, aviation, motor vehicle, maritime, and space transportation safety systems, among a number of other applications of GPS/ GNSS. The goal of the Study is to evaluate the adjacent radio frequency band power levels that can be tolerated by GPS/GNSS receivers, and advance the Department's understanding of the extent to which such power levels impact devices used for transportation safety purposes, among other GPS/ GNSS applications.

The Study will involve testing of receivers provided by government agencies. In addition, to maximize diversity in the devices tested and breadth of relevant data collected for analysis in the Study, the Department requests voluntary participation in this Study by any interested GPS/GNSS device manufacturers or other parties whose products incorporate GPS/GNSS devices. Such participation could involve provision of GPS/GNSS receivers to DOT for use in testing, provision of data on receiver design to facilitate data collection pursuant to the test plan, and/or on-site commitment and support from manufacturers and other entities providing GPS/GNSS receivers for testing. DOT expects that any onsite commitment and support would take approximately one work week.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any GPS device manufacturer interested in providing such assistance for the adjacent band study should contact