

language is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety and should be exempted."

2. **TIRE PRESSURE INFORMATION:** "Due to a programming error, not more than 187 vehicles may potentially have incorrect tire pressure." "The tires are each individually clearly marked with the tire pressure information."

3. **GVWR LABELING:** "Bodor Corporation undertook a materials weight reduction program, and, further, no longer utilizes the [Ford] E-150 chassis for high-top conversions, favoring instead the E-250 model with an initial higher weight GVWR. The E-250 was previously not made available in [a] large enough quantity by Ford Motor Company for conversion purposes."

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments on the application described above. Comments should refer to the docket number and be submitted to: U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Management, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, D.C., 20590. It is requested that two copies be submitted.

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

Comment closing date: October 14, 1999.

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

Issued on: September 8, 1999.

L. Robert Shelton,

Associate Administrator for Safety Performance Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

[Treasury Directive Number 32-12]

Restrictions on Lobbying for Federal Grants, Cooperative Agreements, Loans, and Commitments To Insure or Guarantee a Loan

September 1, 1999.

1. **Purpose.** This directive establishes policy, procedures and responsibilities for implementing Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance on restrictions on lobbying for Federal grants, cooperative agreements, loans,

and commitments to insure or guarantee a loan.

2. **Scope.** This directive applies to all bureaus, Departmental Offices (DO), the Office of Inspector General (IG) and the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration.

3. **Policy.** It is the policy of the Department of the Treasury that persons, including those who represent corporations, partnerships, and other entities, who request or receive a covered Federal grant, cooperative agreement, loan or commitment to insure or guarantee a loan (see paragraph 6.a., below) must file the certification and disclosure forms on lobbying activities required by law.

4. Background.

a. 31 U.S.C. 1352 prohibits recipients of Federal contracts, grants, loans, or cooperative agreements from using appropriated funds to influence, or attempt to influence, Government employees, and members of Congress or their staffs. The law specifies penalties for

b. Treasury has codified OMB's guidance on lobbying restrictions at 31 CFR part 21.

c. Treasury procedures on restrictions on lobbying for contracts are covered in Department of the Treasury Acquisition Regulation, subpart 1003.8, "Limitation on the Payment of Funds to Influence Federal Transactions."

5. Definitions.

a. **Cooperative Agreement.** A legal instrument between a bureau or office and a person to work together for a common purpose. Substantial involvement is expected between the bureau or office and the person.

b. **Direct Loan.** This occurs when a bureau or office disburses funds to a borrower and enters into a contract with the borrower for repayment.

c. **Grant.** An award of financial assistance in the form of money, or property in lieu of money, by a bureau or office, or a direct appropriation made by law to any person.

d. **Guaranteed or Insured Loans.** This occurs when a third party lender makes a direct loan to a borrower; the bureau or office agrees to repay the lender all or a portion of the loan in case the borrower defaults.

e. **Person.** An individual, corporation, company, association, authority, firm, partnership, society, and State or local government, regardless of whether such entity is operated for profit or not for profit.

6. Procedures.

a. The certification and disclosure requirements in 31 U.S.C. 1352 apply to:

(1) A Federal grant or cooperative agreement from Treasury in excess of \$100,000.

(2) A Federal loan or commitment to insure or guarantee a loan from Treasury in excess of \$150,000.

b. A person who requests or receives a covered Federal grant, cooperative agreement, or loan from Treasury must certify (see 31 CFR part 21 appendix A that the person has not made and will not make any payment prohibited by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Such a person must file SF LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities" (see 31 CFR part 21 appendix B) if that person has made or has agreed to make any payment from nonappropriated funds which would be prohibited under 31 U.S.C. 1352 if paid for with appropriated funds.

c. A person who requests or receives a covered commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan must certify (see 31 CFR part 21 appendix A) as to whether the person has made or agreed to make any payment prohibited by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Such a person must file SF LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities" (see 31 CFR part 21 appendix B) if that person has made or has agreed to make any payment to influence or attempt to influence a Government officer or employee in connection with that loan insurance or guarantee.

d. The appropriate certification and, if required, disclosure form shall be filed with each submission that initiates agency consideration for, and upon award of, a grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or commitment to insure or guarantee a loan described above. Certifications and disclosure forms shall be filed with the appropriate bureau or office.

7. Responsibilities.

a. **The Deputy Assistant Secretary (Administration), Heads of Bureaus, the Inspector General and the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration** as it relates to their respective bureaus and offices, shall ensure that each person who requests or receives a Federal grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or commitment to insure or guarantee a loan, is required to file the required certification and, if required, disclosure forms with the appropriate bureau or office.

b. **Treasury's Director of Procurement** will issue procedures to bureaus concerning lobbying for contracts.

8. Authorities.

a. 31 U.S.C. 1352, "Limitation on Use of Appropriated Funds to Influence Certain Federal Contracting and Financial Transactions."

b. OMB Interim Final Rule, 55 FR 6736 (1990).

c. 31 CFR part 21, "New Restrictions on Lobbying."

9. *References.*

a. Department of the Treasury Acquisition Regulation, subpart 1003.8, "Limitations on the Payment of Funds to Influence Federal Transactions."

10. *Supply of Forms.* Copies of the "Certification Regarding Lobbying" and OMB Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities" are available from the Office of Treasury's Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

11. *Cancellation.* Treasury Directive 32-12, "Restrictions on Lobbying for Treasury Grants, Loans and Cooperative Agreements", dated January 6, 1992, is superseded.

12. *Office of Primary Interest.* Office of Accounting and Internal Control, Office of the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer.

Nancy Killefer,

Assistant Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, 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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Explosives Delivery Record.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before November 15, 1999 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Barnes, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8930.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to Michael

Bouchard, Chief, Arson & Explosives Division, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-7930.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Explosives Delivery Record.

OMB Number: 1512-0133.

Form Number: ATF F 5400.8.

Abstract: This information collection activity is used to verify distributors' compliance with Federal laws and regulations, thereby documenting the flow of explosives in commerce and as a tracing tool to prevent misuse and traffic in stolen explosives. The record retention period for this information collection is 5 years.

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: 25,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 6 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,500.

Request for Comments:

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB 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: September 3, 1999.

William T. Earle,

Assistant Director (Management) CFO.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, 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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Usual and Customary Business Records Relating to Wine.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before November 15, 1999 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Barnes, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8930.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to Marjorie Ruhf, Regulations Division, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8202.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Usual and Customary Business Records Relating to Wine.

OMB Number: 1512-0298.

Recordkeeping Requirement ID Number: ATF REC 5120/1.

Abstract: Usual and customary business records relating to wine are routinely inspected by ATF officers to ensure the payment of alcohol taxes due to the Federal Government. The record retention period for this information collection is 3 years.

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

Type of Review: Extension.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,650.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 165.