

Information Items

1. Approval of a supplement to the contract with Numanco, LLC, for professional staffing services related to the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant Unit 1 recovery effort and the replacement of steam generators at the Watts Bar and Sequoyah Nuclear Plants.
 2. Approval of a supplement to the contract with General Electric Company to cover nuclear steam supply and turbine-generator services and material for the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant Unit 1 recovery effort.
 3. Approval of the abandonment of a portion of the Great Falls-Sparta Transmission Line tap to West Sparta easement affecting approximately 5.1 acres (Tract No. SPAT-7) in exchange for transmission line easement rights affecting approximately 6 acres (Tract No. SPATR-1) in White County, Tennessee.
 4. Approval of public auction sale of the former Eastern Area Radiological Laboratory site, affecting approximately 16.8 acres of Tellico Reservoir land in Monroe County, Tennessee, Tract No. XTELR-233.
 5. Approval for interconnection arrangements with independent power producers (IPPs) and policy changes on credits IPPs may apply to TVA's transmission service charges.
 6. Approval of Fiscal Year 2002 Winning Performance Incentive Plan Payout.
 7. Approval of the Discount Energy Unit program and modification of the distributor loan program.
 8. Approval of amendments to the Rules and Regulations of the TVA Retirement System and to the provisions of the TVA Savings and Deferral Retirement Plan (401(k) Plan) to comply with the IRS requirements concerning the definition of employee compensation upon which pension benefits and 401(k) Plan matching contribution can be calculated.
 9. Approval of recommendations resulting from the 67th Annual Wage Conference concerning wage rates for annual employees represented by the International Brotherhood of Teamsters for 2003-2005.
 10. Approval of recommendations resulting from the 67th Annual Wage Conference concerning Construction Project Agreement (Hourly) wage rates for 2003 for trades and labor work performed by contractors of TVA.
 11. Approval of recommendations resulting from the 67th Annual Wage Conference concerning wage rates for annual employees represented by the Trades and Labor Council for 2003.
- For more information: Please call TVA Media Relations at (865) 632-6000,

Knoxville, Tennessee. Information is also available at TVA's Washington Office (202) 898-2999. People who plan to attend the meeting and have special needs should call (865) 632-6000. Anyone who wishes to comment on any of the agenda in writing may send their comments to: TVA Board of Directors, Board Agenda Comments, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

Dated: January 7, 2003.

Maureen H. Dunn,

General Counsel and Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement; Carver and Scott Counties, MN

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that a tier I Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be prepared for a proposal to improve capacity on Trunk Highway (TH) 41 between TH 169 and proposed TH 212, including a crossing of the Minnesota River, in Scott and Carver Counties, Minnesota. The east-west boundaries of the study area are between County State Aid Highway (CSAH)/TH 101 at the Chanhassen/Shakopee border and County Road 45 just west of Carver. the tier I EIS will include the analysis needed for a location decision.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cheryl Martin, Federal Highway Administration, Galtier Plaza, 380 Jackson Street, Suite 500, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101, Telephone (651) 291-6120; or Brian Isaacson, Project Manager, Minnesota Department of Transportation—Metro Division, Water's Edge Building, 1500 West County Road B-2, Roseville, Minnesota 55113, Telephone (651) 582-1659.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Transportation, will prepare tier I EIS on a proposal to improve capacity on TH 41 between proposed TH 212 and TH 169, the north-south limits of the study area. The east-west boundaries of the study area are between CSAH/TH 101 at the Chanhassen/Shakopee border and County Road 45 just west of the City of Carver in Scott and Carver

Counties, Minnesota. The proposed action is being considered to preserve an alignment for the construction of future highway capacity improvements, including a crossing of the Minnesota River, to address the need for improved capacity.

The tier I EIS will evaluate the social, economic, transportation and environmental impacts of alternatives, including: (1) no-build, (2) improvements to the existing TH 41 corridor, and (3) one or more new alignment alternatives for TH 41.

The tier II EIS will be prepared in approximately 15 years. At that time, design alternatives for the preferred alignment will be considered and environmental impacts and mitigation will be studied in greater detail. The construction of the preferred alternative is planned for implementation after the year 2020.

It is anticipated that the "TH41 Scoping Document/Draft Scoping Decision Document" will be published in approximately June 2003. A press release will be published to inform the public of the document's availability. Copies of the scoping document will be distributed to agencies, interested persons and libraries for review to aid in identifying issues and analyses to be contained in the tier I EIS. A 30 day comment period for review of the document will be provided to afford an opportunity for all interested persons, agencies and groups to comment on the proposed action. A public scoping meeting will also be held during the comment period. Public notice will be given for the time and place of the meeting. A tier I draft EIS will be prepared based on the outcome of the scoping process. Coordination has been initiated and will continue with appropriate Federal, State and local agencies and private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have an interest in the proposed action. To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

Dated: Issued on: December 31, 2002.
(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on

Federal programs and activities apply to this program)

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Project Development Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, St. Paul, Minnesota.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA-02-13546; Notice 2]

RIN 2127-A172

Event Data Recorders

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: NHTSA received a petition asking us to extend the comment period for our request for comments concerning what future role the agency should take related to the continued development and installation of Event Data Recorders (EDRs) in motor vehicles. To provide interested persons additional time to prepare comments, we are extending the comment period from January 9, 2003, to February 28, 2003.

DATES: Written comments must be received by February 28, 2003.

ADDRESSES: You may submit your comments in writing to: Docket Management, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Alternatively, you may submit your comments electronically by logging onto the Docket Management System (DMS) website at <http://dms.dot.gov>. Click on "Help & Information" or "Help/Info" to view instructions for filing your comments electronically. Regardless of how you submit your comments, you should mention the docket number of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The following persons at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590:

For technical and policy issues: Dr. William Fan, Office of Crashworthiness Standards, NVS-112, telephone (202) 366-4922, facsimile (202) 366-4329.

For legal issues: J. Edward Glancy, Office of the Chief Counsel, NCC-20, telephone (202) 366-2992, facsimile (202) 366-3820.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 11, 2002, NHTSA published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 63493) a request for comments concerning Event

Data Recorders (EDRs) in motor vehicles. EDRs collect vehicle and occupant-based crash information.¹

Over the past several years, NHTSA has been actively involved with EDRs. The agency's involvement has included sponsoring two working groups, using data from EDRs in crash investigations, and conducting research and development. Particularly since the two working groups have completed their work, we requested comments on what future role the agency should take related to the continued development and installation of EDRs in motor vehicles. We established a comment closing date of January 9, 2003.

The National Association of EMS Physicians (NAEMSP) requested an extension of the comment period, to March 31, 2003. It noted that it will hold its 2003 Annual Meeting on January 16 to 18. NAEMSP stated that if the extension were granted, it would solicit comments from its membership, and collate the comments for submission on March 31. That organization stated that it would like the opportunity to submit comments in order to benefit patient health and outcomes.

After considering NAEMSP's request, we have decided that it would be in the public interest to extend the comment period. However, we believe a somewhat shorter extension is appropriate. We are extending the comment period until February 28, 2003. This date is approximately six weeks after NAEMSP's Annual Meeting. We believe that will provide sufficient time for that organization to solicit comments from its membership and collate the comments for submission to the agency.

Privacy concerns: All comments (other than those containing confidential business information) submitted to any of our dockets are converted into electronic form. Anyone is able to search the electronic form of those comments by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or

¹ Since the term "EDR" can be used to cover many different types of devices, we included a definition of the term for purposes of our request for comments. We explained that when we used "EDR" in the request for comments, we were referring to a device that is installed in a motor vehicle to record technical vehicle and occupant-based information for a brief period of time (*i.e.*, seconds, not minutes) before, during and after a crash. For instance, EDRs may record (1) pre-crash vehicle dynamics and system status, (2) driver inputs, (3) vehicle crash signature, (4) restraint usage/deployment status, and (5) certain post-crash data such as the activation of an automatic collision notification (ACN) system. We stated we were not using the term to include any type of device that either makes an audio or video record or logs data such as hours of service for truck operators.

signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78), or you may visit <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 322, 30111, 30115, 30117, and 30166; delegation of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 49 CFR 501.8.

Issued: January 3, 2003.

Noble N. Bowie,

Director, Office of Planning and Consumer Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA-2002-13708]

RIN 2127-AG93

Federal Motor Vehicle Standards; Child Restraints; Review: Evaluation of Child Safety Seat Registration

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Request for comments on technical report.

SUMMARY: This notice announces NHTSA's publication of a Technical Report reviewing and evaluating the seat registration-form requirements of its existing Safety Standard 213, Child Restraint Systems. The report's title is Evaluation of Child Safety Seat Registration.

DATES: Comments must be received no later than May 12, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Report: You may obtain a copy of the report free of charge by sending a self-addressed mailing label to Communications Services (NPO-503), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. A summary of the report is available on the Internet for viewing on line at www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/regrev/evaluate/809518.html. The full report is available on the Internet in PDF format at www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/regrev/evaluate/pdf/809518.pdf.

Comments: All comments should refer to the Docket number of this notice (NHTSA-2002-13708). You may submit your comments in writing to: U.S. Department of Transportation Docket Management, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. You may also submit your