

FMCSA Response: The Van Hool/Coach USA application only requests an exemption from the requirements of section 393.76(c)(1) of the FMCSRs relating to the dimensions of the entry/exit into the sleeper berth. The Van Hool/Coach USA prototype sleeper berth fully conforms to all other requirements pertaining to sleeper berths in 49 CFR 393.76.

3. Mr. John Oakman, Sr. Vice President of Coach USA/Megabus commented in support of the application, stating "With this exemption we will be able to travel with two drivers, while one is driving the other will be able to be in a legal sleeping berth, thus giving us a longer safer distance of operation."

4. Mr. Tim Wayland, President and Chief Operating Officer of ABC Companies commented in support of the application, stating "Approving this exemption would allow Coach USA to fulfill its obligations as an operator towards its drivers in meeting the hours of service requirements. Approval of this exemption will also increase the number of models available to the traveling public. Increasing the number of models available to the traveling public will result in increased ridership, less traffic congestion and road wear and tear plus positive effects on the environment such as lower emissions and consumption of natural resources."

FMCSA Decision

Based on its evaluation of the application for an exemption, FMCSA grants the Van Hool/Coach USA exemption application. The Agency believes that the safety performance of motor carriers operating the subject double deck motorcoaches during the 2-year exemption period will likely achieve a level of safety that is equivalent to, or greater than, the level of safety achieved without the exemption. While the proposed entry/exit does not meet the specific dimensional requirements of section 393.76(c)(1) of the FMCSRs, (1) the overall area of the proposed entry/exit is only slightly smaller than that which is required, and (2) FMCSA was able to confirm during a physical examination of the double deck motorcoach that operators are able to easily enter/exit the proposed sleeper berth. Additionally, Van Hool/Coach USA has designed and installed a second emergency exit in the sleeper berth that is 26 inches wide and 26.5 inches high that provides direct access to the exterior of the vehicle. The Agency hereby grants the exemption for a two-year period, beginning October 10, 2014 until October 10, 2016.

Terms and Conditions for the Exemption

During the temporary exemption period, Coach USA/Megabus motorcoaches can be legally operated using the reduced sleeper berth entry/exit dimensions. The motorcoaches must be constructed using the entry/exit configuration as depicted in the application. FMCSA encourages any party having information that Van Hool/Coach USA, in utilizing this exemption, is not achieving the requisite level of safety immediately to notify the Agency. If safety is being compromised, or if the continuation of the exemption is not consistent with 49 U.S.C. 31315(b) and 31136(e), FMCSA will take immediate steps to revoke the exemption.

Preemption

In accordance with section 381.600 of the FMCSRs, during the period the exemption is in effect, no State shall enforce any law or regulation that conflicts with or is inconsistent with this exemption with respect to a person operating under the exemption.

Issued on: October 1, 2014.

T.F. Scott Darling III,
Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. FD 35860]

Wisconsin Great Northern Railroad, Inc.—Lease and Operation Exemption—Rail Line of Wisconsin Central, Ltd.

Wisconsin Great Northern Railroad, Inc. (WGNR), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to lease from Wisconsin Central, Ltd. (WC),¹ and to operate, pursuant to a lease agreement, an approximately 6.3-mile line of railroad between milepost 95.2 near Hayward Junction and milepost 101.5 at Hayward, in Washburn and Sawyer Counties, Wis.

According to WGNR, the lease does not contain any provision or agreement that may limit future interchange of traffic with a third-party connecting carrier. WGNR states that the line connects with WC's north-south main line at milepost 96.0 at Hayward Junction, Wis.

The proposed transaction may be consummated on or after October 25,

¹ WC is an affiliate of Canadian National Railway Company.

2014, the effective date of this exemption (30 days after the exemption was filed).

WGNR certifies that the projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not exceed those that would qualify it as a Class III rail carrier and will not exceed \$5 million.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions to stay must be filed by October 17, 2014 (at least seven days prior to the date the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 35860, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on applicant's representative, Thomas F. McFarland, Thomas F. McFarland, P.C., 208 South LaSalle Street, Suite 1890, Chicago, IL 60604-1112.

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Decided: October 7, 2014.

By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell,
Director, Office of Proceedings.

Brendetta S. Jones,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Advisory Committee to the Internal Revenue Service; Meeting

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Information Reporting Program Advisory Committee (IRPAC) will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, October 29, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Caryl Grant, National Public Liaison, CL:NPL:SRM, Rm. 7559, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224. Phone: 202-317-6851 (not a toll-free number). Email address: PublicLiaison@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988),

that a public meeting of the IRPAC will be held on Wednesday, October 29, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Residence Inn Marriott, 1199 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20005. Report recommendations on issues that may be discussed include: Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act; Expand Use of TIN Matching; Cost Basis Reporting; *De minimis* Threshold for Form 1099 Corrections; Business master file and Form 8822-B; 1099-MISC—Miscellaneous Income; Form W-9 Revision; Nonresident Alien Withholding and Reporting of Payments for Truck or Rail; Instructions for Form 2848; Form 8889—Health Savings Account; Third Party Sick Pay Reporting; Proper Reporting of FSA Overpayments; ACA and HRA-Like Plans; ACA Education Using Plain Language; Withholding and Reporting for Pension Payments to NRAs; Reporting by Insurance Companies and Third Parties under IRC §§ 6055 and 6056; IRC § 6050W and Form 1099-K; Form 1098-T; Form 8300; Coordination of Taxpayer Forms with Broker Forms; and Rev. Procedure 95-48. Last minute agenda changes may preclude advance notice. Due to limited seating and security requirements, please call or email Caryl Grant to confirm your attendance. Ms. Grant can be reached at 202-317-6851 or PublicLiaison@irs.gov. Should you wish the IRPAC to consider a written statement, please call 202-317-6851, or write to: Internal Revenue Service, Office of National Public Liaison, CL:NPL:SRM, Room 7559, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224 or email: PublicLiaison@irs.gov.

Dated: October 6, 2014.

John Lipold,

*Designated Federal Official, Branch Chief,
National Public Liaison.*

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0178]

Proposed Information Collection (Monthly Certification of On-the-Job and Apprenticeship Training) Activity: Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an

opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed revision of currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments for information needed to determine a claimant's continued eligibility for educational benefits.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before December 9, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M35), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420 or email to nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0178" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 632-8924 or FAX (202) 632-8925.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title: Monthly Certification of On-the-Job and Apprenticeship Training, VA Forms 22-6553d and 22-6553d-1.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0178.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Claimants receiving on the job and apprenticeship training complete VA Form 22-6553d to report the number of hours worked. Schools or training establishments also complete the form to report whether the claimant's educational benefits are to be continued, unchanged or terminated, and the effective date of such action. VA Form 22-6553d-1 is an identical printed copy of VA Form 22-6553d. Claimants use VA Form 22-6553d-1 when the computer-generated version of VA Form 22-6553d is not available. VA uses the data collected to process a claimant's educational benefit claim.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 11,384 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Monthly.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 68,301.

Dated: October 7, 2014.

By direction of the Secretary.

Crystal Rennie,

Department Clearance Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0777]

Proposed Information Collection (Medical Foster Homes Record Keeping Requirements); Activity: Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each revised collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the information needed for Veterans, Veteran Representatives and health care providers to request reimbursement from the federal government for emergency services at a private institution.