

number of respondents changed from 51 to 53 and the hourly burdens for responses changed marginally).

Respondents: Any railroad that is subject to the Interstate Commerce Act and that terminated at least 4,500 revenue carloads on its lines in any of the three preceding years or that terminated at least 5% of the revenue carloads terminating in any state in any of the three preceding years. Railroads that are required to report Waybill Samples may do so either quarterly or monthly, and may either sample their own waybills or have an STB contractor conduct their sampling. As a result, there are four categories of Respondents discussed below: (1) Five railroads that conduct their own sampling, and report monthly, quarterly, and annually; (2) two railroads that conduct their own sampling, and report quarterly and annually; (3) two railroads that have the contractor sample their waybills, and report monthly, quarterly, and annually; and (4) 44 railroads that have the contractor sample their waybills, and report quarterly and annually.

Number of Respondents: 53.

Estimated Time per Response: Forty-two and a half hours for each of the five railroads that conduct their own sampling, and report monthly, quarterly, and annually (assuming 2.5 hours to conduct the sampling per sample submitted). Twelve and a half hours for each of the two railroads that conduct their own sampling and report quarterly and annually (assuming 2.5 hours to conduct the sampling per sample submitted). Twenty-one and one quarter hours for each of the two railroads that have the contractor sample their waybills, and report monthly, quarterly, and annually (assuming 1.25 hours per sample submitted). Six and a quarter hours for each of the 44 railroads that have the contractor sample their waybills, and report quarterly and annually (assuming 1.25 hours per sample submitted).

Frequency: Seven (7) respondents report monthly; 46 report quarterly.

Total Burden Hours (annually including all respondents): 555 hours. This estimate is made up of the annual burden hours for the (a) five railroads that conduct their own sampling, and report monthly, quarterly, and annually (85 responses $\times$ 2.5 hours = 212.50 hours); (b) two railroads that conduct their own sampling, and report quarterly and annually (10 responses $\times$ 2.5 hours = 25 hours); (c) two railroads that have the contractor sample their waybills, and report monthly, quarterly, and annually (34 responses $\times$ 1.25 hours = 42.50 hours); and (d) 44 railroads that have the contractor sample their

waybills, and report quarterly and annually (220 responses $\times$ 1.25 hours = 275.00 hours).

Total "Non-hour Burden" Cost: No "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this collection have been identified.

Needs and Uses: The Surface Transportation Board is, by statute, responsible for the economic regulation of common carrier rail transportation in the United States. The information in the Waybill Sample is used by the Board, other Federal and state agencies, and industry stakeholders to monitor traffic flows and rate trends in the industry, and to develop testimony in Board proceedings. The Board has authority to collect this information under 49 U.S.C. 11144 and 11145.

Under the PRA, a federal agency that conducts or sponsors a collection of information must display a currently valid OMB control number. A collection of information, which is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c), includes agency requirements that persons submit reports, keep records, or provide information to the agency, third parties, or the public. Section 3507(b) of the PRA requires, concurrent with an agency's submitting a collection to OMB for approval, a 30-day notice and comment period through publication in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information.

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Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA-2017-0002-N-19]

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice and comment request.

SUMMARY: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), this notice announces that FRA is forwarding the Information Collection Requests (ICRs) abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and renewed approval. The ICRs describe the information collections and their expected burden. On March 14, 2017, FRA published a notice providing

a 60-day period for public comment on the ICRs.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before June 30, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Brogan, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Railroad Safety, Regulatory Analysis Division, RRS-21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Mail Stop 25, Washington, DC 20590 (Telephone: (202) 493-6292); or Ms. Kim Toone, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Administration, Office of Information Technology, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590 (Telephone: (202) 493-6132). (These telephone numbers are not toll free.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520, and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, require Federal agencies to issue two notices seeking public comment on information collection activities before OMB may approve paperwork packages. 44 U.S.C. 3506, 3507; 5 CFR 1320.5, 1320.8(d)(1), and 1320.12. On March 14, 2017, FRA published a 60-day notice in the Federal Register soliciting comment on the ICRs for which it is now seeking OMB approval. See 82 FR 13714. FRA received no comments in response to the March 14, 2017 notice.

Before OMB decides whether to approve these proposed collections of information, it must provide 30 days for public comment. 44 U.S.C. 3507(b); 5 CFR 1320.12(d). Federal law requires OMB to approve or disapprove paperwork packages between 30 and 60 days after the 30-day notice is published. 44 U.S.C. 3507(b)-(c); 5 CFR 1320.12(d); see also 60 FR 44978, 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. OMB believes the 30-day notice informs the regulated community to file relevant comments and affords the agency adequate time to digest public comments before it renders a decision. 60 FR 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. Therefore, respondents should submit their respective comments to OMB within 30 days of publication to best ensure having their full effect. 5 CFR 1320.12(c); see also 60 FR 44983, Aug. 29, 1995.

The summaries below describe the ICRs and their expected burden. FRA is submitting the renewal requests for clearance by OMB as the PRA requires.

Title: Passenger Train Emergency Preparedness.

OMB Control Number: 2130-0545.

Abstract: Under 49 CFR part 239, Passenger Train Emergency Preparedness, FRA requires railroads to

meet minimum Federal standards for the preparation, adoption, and implementation of emergency preparedness plans connected with the operation of passenger trains, including freight railroads hosting operations of rail passenger service. To help ensure compliance with the regulations, FRA requires railroads to conduct operational tests of their personnel responsible for implementing the emergency preparedness plans.

Type of Request: Extension without change of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: Businesses (railroads).

Form(s): N/A.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 69,670.

Total Estimated Annual Burden: 21,470 hours.

Title: Locomotive Cab Sanitation Standards.

OMB Control Number: 2130-0552.

Abstract: FRA's locomotive cab sanitation standards, 49 CFR 229.137 and 229.139, prescribe minimum standards for locomotive cab sanitation facilities. FRA uses the information collection associated with these provisions to promote rail safety and the health of railroad workers by ensuring that all locomotive crew members have access to functioning and hygienic toilet/sanitary facilities as needed and to ensure railroads timely repair defective locomotive sanitary facilities.

Type of Request: Extension without change of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: Businesses (railroads).

Form(s): N/A.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 113,256.

Total Estimated Annual Burden: 1,272 hours.

Title: Locomotive Crashworthiness.

OMB Control Number: 2130-0564.

Abstract: FRA's Locomotive Crashworthiness Design Requirements (49 CFR part 229, subpart D) prescribe minimum crashworthiness standards for locomotives. These crashworthiness standards are intended to help protect locomotive cab occupants in the event of a collision or other accident involving a locomotive. FRA uses the information collection associated with Subpart D to ensure railroads use locomotives that meet the prescribed minimum performance standards and design load requirements for newly manufactured and re-manufactured locomotives.

Type of Request: Extension with change (revised estimates) of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: Businesses (railroads).

Form(s): N/A.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 501.

Total Estimated Annual Burden: 6,470 hours.

Title: Critical Incident Stress Plans.

OMB Control Number: 2130-0602.

Abstract: FRA issued its Critical Incident Stress Plans Final Rule (49 CFR part 272) on March 25, 2014. See 79 FR 16218. Part 272 requires Class I, intercity passenger, and commuter railroads to develop, and submit to FRA for approval, critical incident stress plans that, among other things, provide appropriate support services be offered to their employees who are affected by a critical incident as defined at 49 CFR 272.9. FRA uses the information collected to ensure railroads meet the minimum standards of Part 272.

Type of Request: Extension with change (revised estimates) of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: Businesses (railroads)/Rail Labor Unions.

Form(s): N/A.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 663.

Total Estimated Annual Burden: 314 hours.

Addressee: Send comments regarding these information collections to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: FRA Desk Officer. Comments may also be sent via email to OMB at the following address: oir_submission@omb.eop.gov.

Comments are invited on the following: Whether the proposed collections of information are necessary for DOT to properly perform its functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of DOT's estimates of the burden of the proposed information collections; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collections of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520.

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Acting Chief Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary of Transportation

Transportation Infrastructure Financing and Innovation Act (TIFIA) Program; Agency Information Collection Activities and Request for Comments

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Transportation, DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation (DOT) has submitted an information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to renew an existing information collection. The information collection is used to allow entities to apply for TIFIA credit assistance and assists the DOT in evaluating projects and project sponsors for program eligibility and creditworthiness.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by June 30, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to the attention of the DOT/OST Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503 or by email at OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov with the associated OMB Control Number 2105-0569.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The TIFIA program manager via email at TIFIACredit@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521) and OMB regulations at 5 CFR part 1320 provide that an agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Until OMB approves a collection of information, you are not obligated to respond. In order to obtain and renew an OMB control number, Federal agencies are required to seek public comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d) and 1320.12(a)).

As required at 5 CFR 1320.8(d), DOT published a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** on March 24, 2017 (82 FR 15101), and the comment period ended May 23, 2017. DOT received no comments. DOT now requests comments on the following subjects: Comments are invited on: (a) The need for the proposed collection of information for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including