

300(j)(6)]; TEA–21 Wetlands Mitigation [23 U.S.C. 103(b)(6)(m), 133(b)(11)]; Flood Disaster Protection Act, [42 U.S.C. 4001–4128]; Emergency Wetlands Resources Act, [16 U.S.C. 3921, 3931].

8. Hazardous Materials: Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) as amended [42 U.S.C. 9601–9657]; Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 [Pub. L. 99–499]; Resource Conservation and Recovery Act [42 U.S.C. 6901 *et seq.*].

9. Executive Orders: E.O. 11990 Protection of Wetlands; E.O. 11988 Floodplain Management as amended by E.O. 12148; E.O. 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low Income Populations; E.O. 11593 Protection and Enhancement of Cultural Resources; E.O. 13007 Indian Sacred Sites; E.O. 13287 Preserve America; E.O. 13175 Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments; E.O. 11514 Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality; E.O. 13112 Invasive Species.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

**Authority:** 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1).

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA–2011–0001–N–15]

#### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

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

**ACTION:** Notice and Request for Comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Requirement (ICR) abstracted below is being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection

and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on August 12, 2011 (76 FR 50320).

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before November 23, 2011.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Safety, Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS–21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., 3rd Floor, Mail Stop 25, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493–6292), or Ms. Kimberly Toone, Office of Information Technology, RAD–20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., 3rd Floor, Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493–6132). (These telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Public Law 104–13, Section 2, 109 Stat. 163 (1995) (codified as revised at 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), 1320.12. On August 12, 2011, FRA published a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** soliciting comment on this ICR for which the agency was seeking OMB approval. 76 FR 50320. FRA received no comments in response to this 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 that 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 summary below describes the nature of the information collection requirement (ICR) and the expected burden for the ICR being submitted for clearance by OMB as required by the PRA.

**Title:** Inspection Brake System Safety Standards for Freight and Other Non-Passenger Trains and Equipment (Power Brakes and Drawbars).

**OMB Control Number:** 2130–0008.

**Type of Request:** Extension of a currently approved collection.

**Affected Public:** Businesses.

**Abstract:** Section 7 of the Rail Safety Enforcement and Review Act of 1992, Public Law 102–365, amended Section 202 of the Federal Railroad Safety Act of 1970 (45 U.S.C. 421, 431 *et seq.*), empowered the Secretary of Transportation to conduct a review of the Department's rules with respect to railroad power brakes and, where applicable, prescribe standards regarding dynamic brake equipment. In keeping with the Secretary's mandate and the authority delegated from him to the FRA Administrator, FRA issued revisions to the regulations governing freight power brakes and equipment in October 2008 by adding a new Subpart addressing electronically controlled pneumatic (ECP) brake systems. The revisions are designed to provide for and encourage the safe implementation and use of ECT brake system technologies. These revisions contain specific requirements relating to design, interoperability, training, inspection, testing, handling defective equipment and periodic maintenance related to ECP brake systems. The final rule also identifies provisions of the existing regulations and statutes where FRA is proposing to provide flexibility to facilitate the voluntary adoption of this advanced brake system technology. The collection of information is used by FRA to monitor and enforce current regulatory requirements related to power brakes on freight cars as well as the recently added requirements related to ECP brake systems. The collection of information is also used by locomotive engineers and road crews to verify that the terminal air brake test has been performed in a satisfactory manner.

**Form Number(s):** N/A.

**Annual Estimated Burden Hours:** 990,660 hours.

**Addressee:** Send comments regarding this information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 Seventeenth Street, NW., Washington, DC, 20503, Attention: FRA Desk Officer. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to OMB at the following address: [oir\\_submissions@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submissions@omb.eop.gov).

**Comments are invited on the following:** Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have

practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection 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.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 17, 2011.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA–2011–0273]

#### Pipeline Safety: Information Collection Activities

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

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** On August 1, 2011, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, PHMSA published a notice with request for comments in the **Federal Register** (76 FR 45904). The notice concerned several pipeline safety information collections that PHMSA will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for renewal and one information collection that PHMSA intends to discontinue. PHMSA received no comments on the notice. PHMSA is now forwarding the information collection request to OMB and providing an additional 30 days for comments.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments to OMB on or before November 23, 2011.

**ADDRESS:** Send comments regarding the burden estimate, including suggestions for reducing the burden, directly to OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: Desk Officer for the U.S. Department of Transportation (PHMSA), 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Angela Dow by telephone at 202–366–

1246, by fax at 202–366–4566, or by mail at U.S. Department of Transportation, 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 several information collection requests that PHMSA will be submitting to OMB for renewal and one collection that PHMSA plans to discontinue. The following information is provided for each information collection: (1) Title of the information collection; (2) OMB control number; (3) Current expiration date; (4) Type of request; (5) Abstract of the information collection activity; (6) Description of affected public; (7) Estimate of total annual reporting and recordkeeping burden; and (8) Frequency of collection. Unless otherwise specified, PHMSA will request a three-year term of approval for each information collection activity. PHMSA plans to discontinue the following information collection:

*Title:* Pipeline Safety: Excess Flow Valves—Customer Notification.  
*OMB Control Number:* 2137–0593.  
*Current Expiration Date:* 1/31/2012  
(To be discontinued).

*Abstract:* Pipeline operators are no longer required to provide notifications about excess flow valves to service line customers as described in 49 CFR 192.383.

Accordingly, PHMSA has decided to discontinue this collection.

PHMSA requests comments on the following information collections:

1. *Title:* Requirements for Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Facilities.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137–0048.

*Current Expiration Date:* 1/31/2012.

*Abstract:* Operators of liquefied natural gas facilities are required under 49 CFR Part 193 to maintain records, make reports, and provide information to PHMSA and state pipeline safety agencies concerning the operations of their facilities. The information aids Federal and state pipeline safety inspectors in conducting compliance inspections and investigating incidents.

*Affected Public:* Operators of liquefied natural gas facilities.

#### Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden

*Total Annual Responses:* 101.

*Total Annual Burden Hours:* 12,120.

*Frequency of Collection:* On occasion.

2. *Title:* Recordkeeping for Natural Gas Pipeline Operators.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137–0049.

*Current Expiration Date:* 1/31/2012.

*Abstract:* Operators of gas pipelines are required per 49 CFR Part 192 to maintain records, make reports, and provide information to PHMSA and state pipeline safety agencies concerning the operations of their pipelines. The information aids Federal and state pipeline safety inspectors in conducting compliance inspections and investigating incidents.

*Affected Public:* Operators of natural gas pipeline systems.

#### Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden

*Total Annual Responses:* 2,300.

*Total Annual Burden Hours:* 940,454.

*Frequency of collection:* On occasion.

3. *Title:* Customer-Owned Service Lines.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137–0594.

*Current Expiration Date:* 1/31/2012.

*Abstract:* Operators of gas service lines who do not maintain certain buried piping on behalf of their customers must provide notification about maintenance to those customers (49 CFR 192.16). Upon request, an operator must make documentation of compliance available to PHMSA or the appropriate state regulatory agency.

*Affected Public:* Natural gas pipeline operators.

#### Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden

*Total Annual Responses:* 550,000.

*Total Annual Burden Hours:* 9,167.

*Frequency of collection:* On occasion.

4. *Title:* Pipeline Safety: Qualification of Pipeline Safety, Training.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137–0600.

*Current Expiration Date:* 2/29/2012.

*Abstract:* Pipeline operators are required to have continuing programs for qualifying and training personnel performing safety-sensitive functions on pipelines (49 CFR part 192, Subpart N and 49 CFR part 195, Subpart G). Operators must maintain records, make reports, and provide information to PHMSA and state pipeline safety agencies concerning these programs. The information aids Federal and state pipeline safety inspectors in conducting compliance inspections and investigating incidents.

*Affected Public:* Pipeline operators.

#### Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden

*Total Annual Responses:* 22,300.

*Total Annual Burden Hours:* 466,667.

*Frequency of collection:* On occasion.

5. *Title:* Pipeline Safety: Report of Abandoned Underwater Pipelines.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137–0601.