

Continuation of Plenary or Working Group Sessions  
Wednesday, December 13, 2017—9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Continuation of Plenary or Working Group Sessions  
Thursday, December 14, 2017—9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Review DO-356A/ED-203A for Final Review and Comment(FRAC)/Open Consultation  
Friday, December 15, 2017—9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

1. Schedule Update
2. Decision to approve release of DO-356A/ED-203A for final review and comment (frac)/Open consultation
3. Date, Place and Time of Next Meeting
4. New Business
5. Adjourn Plenary

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 16, 2017.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Railroad Administration**

[Docket Number FRA-2017-0090]

**Notice of Application for Approval To Discontinue or Modify a Railroad Signal System**

Under part 235 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), this provides the public notice that in a letter dated October 4, 2017, Norfolk Southern Corporation (NS) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval to discontinue or modify a signal system. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2017-0090.

*Applicant:* Norfolk Southern Corporation, Mr. B. L. Sykes, Chief Engineer C&S Engineering, 1200 Peachtree Street NE., Atlanta, GA 30309  
NS seeks to discontinue signal A8E-1 and A8E-2 on running tracks number 11 & 12 in the approach to control point

(CP) Harrisburg on the Pittsburgh Line at milepost PT 105 on the Harrisburg Division, Harrisburg PA.

These changes are being proposed because NS Operating Rule #93—*Main track within Yard Limits*, states “[a]ll train and engine movements within Yard Limits must be made at Restricted Speed unless operating on a block signal indication that is more favorable than an approach.” Yard limits signs are to be moved upon approval to CP Harrisburg which will require all train and engine movements to be made at Restricted Speed.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation’s (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Web site:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax:* 202-493-2251.
- *Mail:* Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- *Hand Delivery:* 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Communications received by December 4, 2017 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable.

Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.).

Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/privacy>. See also <https://www.regulations.gov/privacyNotice> for the privacy notice of regulations.gov.

Issued in Washington, DC.

**Robert C. Lauby,**

Associate Administrator for Railroad Safety, Chief Safety Officer.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Railroad Administration**

[Docket No. FRA-2017-0002-N-24]

**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 currently approved Information Collection Requests (ICRs), abstracted below, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICRs describe the information collections FRA is submitting for renewal and their expected burden.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before November 20, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** 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: [oirq\\_submissions@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oirq_submissions@omb.eop.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert Brogan, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Railroad Safety, 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 June 30, 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 29976. FRA received no comments in response to the notice. The summaries below describe the ICRs and their expected burden. FRA is submitting these renewal requests for clearance by OMB, as the PRA requires.

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. 5 CFR 1320.12(c); see also 60 FR 44983, Aug. 29, 1995.

Comments are invited on the following ICRs regarding: (1) Whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FRA's estimates of the burden of the information collection activities, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimates; (3) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

*Title:* Railroad Operating Rules.

*OMB Control Number:* 2130-0035.

*Abstract:* Title 49 CFR 217 requires Class I and Class II railroads to file with FRA copies of their operating rules, timetables, timetable special instructions, and subsequent amendments (49 CFR 217.7(a) and (b)), while Class III railroads are required to retain copies of these documents at their systems headquarters (49 CFR 217.7(c)). Also, 49 CFR 220.21(b) requires railroads to retain one copy of their current operating rules with respect to radio communications at a specified location. These railroads are also required to retain one copy of each subsequent amendment thereto. These documents must be made available to FRA upon request. FRA uses the information collected to determine the railroads' rules and practices with respect to train operations and instructions provided by the railroads to their operating employees.

*Type of Request:* Extension with change of a currently approved information collection.

*Affected Public:* Businesses.

*Form(s):* N/A.

*Total Estimated Annual Responses:* 188,591,125.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden:* 4,797,590 hours.

*Title:* Track Safety Standards; Concrete Crossties.

*OMB Control Number:* 2130-0592.

*Abstract:* On April 1, 2011, FRA amended 49 CFR 213 (Track Safety Standards) to ensure safe operations over track constructed with concrete crossties. FRA issued specific requirements for effective concrete crossties, rail fastening systems connected to concrete crossties, and automated inspections of track constructed with concrete crossties. FRA uses the information collected under 49 CFR 213.234 to ensure that automated track inspections of track constructed with concrete crossties are carried out as specified in this section to supplement visual inspections by Class I and Class II railroads, intercity passenger railroads, and commuter railroads or small governmental jurisdictions that serve populations greater than 50,000.

*Type of Request:* Extension with change of a currently approved information collection.

*Affected Public:* Businesses.

*Form(s):* N/A.

*Total Estimated Annual Responses:* 2,318.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden:* 4,875 hours.

Under 44 U.S.C. 3507(a) and 5 CFR 1320.5(b) and 1320.8(b)(3)(vi), FRA informs all interested parties that it may not conduct or sponsor, and a

respondent is not required to respond to a collection of information, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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

**Brett A. Jortland,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

#### Petition for Exemption From the Federal Motor Vehicle Motor Theft Prevention Standard; General Motors Corporation

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

**ACTION:** Grant of petition for exemption.

**SUMMARY:** This document grants in full General Motors Corporation's (GM) petition for an exemption of the Cadillac XT4 vehicle line in accordance with *Exemption from the Theft Prevention Standard*. This petition is granted because the agency has determined that the antitheft device to be placed on the line as standard equipment is likely to be as effective in reducing and deterring motor vehicle theft as compliance with the parts-marking requirements of the *Federal Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Standard (Theft Prevention Standard)*.

**DATES:** The exemption granted by this notice is effective beginning with the 2019 model year (MY).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Hisham Mohamed, Office of International Policy, Fuel Economy, and Consumer Standards, NHTSA, W43-437, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. Mr. Mohamed's phone number is (202) 366-0307. His fax number is (202) 493-2990.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In a petition dated May 29, 2017, GM requested an exemption from the parts-marking requirements of the Theft Prevention Standard for its Cadillac XT4 vehicle line beginning with MY 2019. The petition requested an exemption from parts-marking pursuant to 49 CFR 543, *Exemption from Vehicle Theft Prevention Standard*, based on the installation of an antitheft device as standard equipment for the entire vehicle line.

Under 49 CFR part 543.5(a), a manufacturer may petition NHTSA to grant an exemption for one vehicle line per model year. In its petition, GM