

whole, from the requirements of 49 CFR part 541.

If, in the future, Porsche decides not to use the exemption for the car line that is the subject of this notice, it should formally notify the agency. If such a decision is made, the car line must be fully marked according to the requirements under 49 CFR 541.5 and 541.6 (marking of major component parts and replacement parts).

NHTSA notes that if Porsche wishes in the future to modify the device on which this exemption is based, the company may have to submit a petition to modify the exemption. Section 543.7(d) states that a part 543 exemption applies only to vehicles that belong to a line exempted under this part and equipped with the antitheft device on which the line's exemption is based. Further, § 543.9(c)(2) provides for the submission of petitions "(t)o modify an exemption to permit the use of an antitheft device similar to but differing from the one specified in that exemption."

The agency wishes to minimize the administrative burden which § 543.9(c)(2) could place on exempted vehicle manufacturers and itself. The agency did not intend in drafting part 543 to require the submission of a modification petition for every change to the components or design of an antitheft device. The significance of many such changes could be *de minimis*. Therefore, NHTSA suggests that if the manufacturer contemplates making any changes the effects of which might be characterized as *de minimis*, it should consult the agency before preparing and submitting a petition to modify.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 33106; delegation of authority at 49 CFR 1.50.

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Patricia Breslin,

Acting Associate Administrator for Safety Performance Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, the Veterans Benefits

Administration (VBA) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on this information collection. This request for comment is being made pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Comments should address the accuracy of the burden estimates and ways to minimize the burden including the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology, as well as other relevant aspects of the information collection.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposal for the collection of information should be received by no later than September 3, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M30), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420. All comments will become a matter of public record and will be summarized in the VBA request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. In this document the VBA is soliciting comments concerning the following information collection:

OMB Control Number: 2900-0055.

Title and Form Number: Request for Determination of Loan Guaranty Eligibility—Unremarried Surviving Spouses, VA Form 26-1817.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Need and Uses: A completed VA Form 26-1817 constitutes a formal request by an unremarried surviving spouse of a veteran for a certificate of eligibility for home loan benefits. The information is used to determine the applicant's basic eligibility for the benefit.

Current Actions: Title 38, U.S.C., 3701(b)(2), authorizes the VA to extend home loan benefits to unremarried surviving spouses of veterans whose deaths occurred either while serving on active duty or were a direct result of service-connected disabilities.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 187 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 750.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form should be directed to Department of Veterans Affairs, Attn: Jacquie McCray, Information Management Service (045A4), 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC

20420, Telephone (202) 273-8032 or FAX (202) 273-5981.

Dated: June 24, 1996.

By direction of the Secretary.

William T. Morgan,

Management Analyst.

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OMB Control Number: 2900-0092.

Title and Form Number: Counseling Record—Personal Information, VA Form 28-1902.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Need and Uses: A counseling psychologist uses the form to evaluate veteran claimants and assist eligible veterans to plan a suitable program of vocational rehabilitation. If needed, VA must develop a program of assistance and services to improve the veteran's potential to participate in vocational