bag safety information, and to avoid ''information overload'' that could blunt the impact of this air bag information. The basic question with regard to these non-compliant vehicles is, therefore, does the presence of the utility vehicle label on the transmitter label on the same side of the visor as the air bag warning label actually detract from motor vehicle safety, and further, would the removal of the utility vehicle label and the garage door opener transmitter label from these vehicles enhance motor vehicle safety? Removal of the utility vehicle label is a possible field fix since the affected vehicles all have wheelbases that exceed 110 inches. Even though the utility vehicle label is *required* only on these types of vehicles with wheelbases of 110 inches or less, Ford nevertheless believes the information on the label may also be beneficial in utility vehicles with over 110 inch wheelbase, and affixes the labels to these vehicles also. The transmitter label is a temporary paper stick-on label intended to be removed by the customer, and in all likelihood is removed early in the life of the vehicle. It is provided merely as a customer convenience and directs the customer to operational instructions provided in the Owner Guide. Ford believes this is beneficial to the vehicle operator.

Supporting Arguments

For the following reasons, in Ford's view, the presence on the driver visor of the utility vehicle label or the transmitter label does not significantly detract from the air bag warning, and has no consequential effect on motor vehicle safety. First, the warning label is prominently displayed on both the driver and passenger visor, on the side visible when the visor is stowed. The label is thus visible the majority of the time. Second, the revisions to the air bag label requirements published on November 27, 1996—the addition of a pictogram, specified minimum area for message text, colors for a pictogram, text, and background—have effectively increased the air bag label's prominence and readability such that the presence of this utility vehicle label or the transmitter label, both of which are uniquely different in appearance from the air bag warning label, is unlikely to detract from the much more prominent air bag label. Finally, the affected vehicles do not require and are not equipped with the air bag maintenance label specified in S4.5.1(a) and, consequently, the air bag warning label need not compete with this maintenance label, thus reducing that potential for ''information overload.'' In addition, the fact that S4.5.1(a) allows the air bag maintenance label to be placed on the same side of the visor with the air bag warning label provides explicit recognition by the agency that the risk of ''information overload'' from other labels on the visor is manageable. Based on these facts, Ford believes that the effectiveness of the air bag warning label is not significantly diluted by the presence of the utility vehicle label. They believe the same is true with regard to the temporary presence of the transmitter label.

Ford offers the following concerning the question of whether removal of the utility vehicle label or the transmitter label from the affected vehicle enhances motor vehicle safety. With regard to the utility vehicle label, the industry and the agency have and are considering, whether the presence of this label along with the air bag warning label, do in fact reduce the effectiveness of the air bag label. There is not complete agreement on this subject as evidenced by rulemaking including a January 13, 1997 AAMA Request for Technical Amendment or Petition for Reconsideration, to allow both labels on the same side of the visor—this request/petition was denied by the agency on June 24, 1998 (49 CFR 575.208). Citation for utility vehicles NPRM 63 FR 17974 April 13, 1998, Docket No. NHTSA 98–3381, Notice 1.

The transmitter label on the Navigators' vehicles on the other hand, a paper stick-on label which directs the customer to the Owner Guide for instructions on the operation of the transmitter controls on the visor, is not intended to be permanent, but is designed as a temporary label with the expectation that it will be removed early in the life of the vehicle. Because its early removal is intended, Ford does not argue that a field action to remove this label would be detrimental to safety, however, because Ford believes it will be removed by the customer, or by the dealer after review with the customer during delivery of the vehicle, Ford suggests there is no need for such a field action.

As a final point, the subject utility vehicle and transmitter labels, rather than being affixed, as they are, on the driver visors no closer that 2 inches from the air bag warning label, which does not satisfy Standard 208, alternatively could have been affixed to the vehicle headliner immediately above and approximately 2 inches away from the visor air bag label. This alternative would have been completely compliant with Standard 208, even though the proximity of these labels to the air bag warning label would have been essentially the same as with the non-compliant location on the visor. If, in this alternate compliant location, the air bag warning label is not diluted by the presence of the utility vehicle or transmitter label on the headliner, perhaps 2 inches away, Ford suggests that the air bag warning label is not diluted by the technically non-compliant presence on the visor of these labels which also are approximately 2 inches away from the air bag label.

In summary, Ford believes that the presence of the utility vehicle label or the garage door opener transmitter located two inches or more from the air bag warning label, does not constitute ''information overload,'' nor does it present any risk to motor vehicle safety. Ford requests that the agency find this condition to be inconsequential to motor vehicle safety, and accordingly that Ford be exempted from the notice and remedy requirements of the Code. Ford has attached to this petition their June 23, 1998 letter to the agency advising of this condition, and of Ford's intent to petition for a determination of inconsequential noncompliance.

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views and arguments on the application of Ford, described above. Comments should refer to the Docket Number and be submitted to: Docket Management, Room PL 401 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590. It is requested but not required that two copies be submitted.

All comments received before the close of business on the closing date indicated below will be considered. The application and supporting materials, and all comments received after the closing date will also be filed and will be considered to the extent possible. When the application is granted or denied, the Notice will be published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to the authority indicated below.

Comment closing date: February 25, 1999. (49 U.S.C. 30118,30120; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8)

Issued on: January 19, 1999.

L. Robert Shelton,

Associate Administrator for Safety Performance Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

January 19, 1999.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public

information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before February 25, 1999 to be assured of consideration.

Departmental Offices/Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (CDFI)

OMB Number: 1505–0154.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Community Development Financial Institutions Program.

Description: The purpose of the CDFI Program is to promote economic revitalization community development through investment in and assistance to CDFIs. The investments by the Program are intended to facilitate the creation of a national network of financial institutions that is dedicated to community development.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 410.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper:

Recordkeeping—36–51 hours.

Core and Intermediary—100 hours.

Technical Assistance—50 hours.

Certification Only—15 hours.

Recertification—7 hours.

Frequency of Response: Quarterly, Annually.

Estimated Total Reporting/Recordkeeping Burden: 32,570 hours.

Clearance Officer: Lois K. Holland (202) 622–1563 Departmental Offices, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20220.

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt (202) 395–7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Lois K. Holland,

Departmental Reports Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

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The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before February 25, 1999 to be assured of consideration.

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (BATF)

OMB Number: 1512–0507.

Form Number: ATF F 5300.26.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Federal Firearms and Ammunition Excise Tax.

Description: This information is needed to determine how much tax is owed for firearms and ammunition. ATF uses this information to verify that a taxpayer has correctly determined and paid tax liability on the sale or use of firearms and ammunition. Businesses, including small to large, and individuals may be required to used this form.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 965.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 7 hours.

Frequency of Response: Quarterly, Other (annual if no tax is due).

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 27,020 hours.

OMB Number: 1512–0548.

Form Number: ATF F 6410.1.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Gang Resistance Education and Training Funding Application.

Description: State and local law enforcement agencies desiring financial assistance for the G.R.E.A.T. Program will submit ATF F 6410.1 to the ATF G.R.E.A.T. Branch. The information collected will be used by ATF to evaluate the applicants funding need. The information will also be used to determine funding priorities and levels of funding, as required by law.

Respondent: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 400.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 2 hours.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 800 hours.

Clearance Officer: Robert N. Hogarth (202) 927–8930, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Room 3200, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20226.

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt (202) 395–7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503,

Lois K. Holland,

Departmental Reports Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before February 25, 1999 to be assured of consideration.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545–1624.

Notice Number: IRS Notice 98–52.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Nondiscriminatory Safe Harbors; ADP Test; ACP Test.

Description: Section 1433(a) of the Small Business Job Protection of 1996 requires that the Service provide nondiscriminatory safe harbors with respect to section 401(k)(12) and section (m)(11) for plan years beginning after December 31, 1998. This notice implements that statutory requirement.

Respondents: Business and other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 60,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 1 hour, 20 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.