Application'' portion of the table below as follows: 1—Motor vehicle, 2—Rail freight, 3—Cargo vessel, 4—Cargo aircraft only, 5—Passenger-carrying aircraft.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 1, 2003.

ADDRESS COMMENTS TO: Records Center, Research and Special Programs Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590.

Comments should refer to the application number and be submitted in triplicate. If confirmation of receipt of comments is desired, include a self-addressed stamped postcard showing the exemption application number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Copies of the applications (*See* Docket Number) are available for inspection at the new Docket Management Facility, PL–401, at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Nassif Building, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590 or at *http://dms.dot.gov*.

This notice of receipt of applications for new exemptions is published in accordance with part 107 of the Federal hazardous materials transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5117(b); 49 CFR 1.53(b)).

Issued in Washington, DC on March 24, 2003.

R. Ryan Posten,

Exemptions Program Officer, Office of Hazardous Materials Exemptions and Approvals.

NEW EXEMPTIONS

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of exemption thereof
33208–N		Provensis Limited of South Harefield Middlesex, UK.	49 CFR 171.11(d)(14), 171.11(d)(7), 171.12(b)(17), 173.306(a)(3)(v), part 174, part 177.	To authorize the transportation in commerce of aerosol containers that have not been subjected to the hot water bath test for use in transporting non-flammable compressed gas. (Modes 1, 2, 3, 4.)
13209–N		Corning, Inc., Corning, NY.	49 CFR 173.21(e), 173.25(a)(1), 180.205(g).	To authorize the transportation in commerce of sodium borophydridge, Division 4.3 with various aqueous solutions in specially designed packaging. (Modes 1, 4.)
13211–N		Avecia Inc., Wilmington, DE.	49 CFR 172.101, SP N8.	To authorize the transportation in commerce of a non-bulk UN standard alternative packaging for use in transporting nitroglycerin solution in alcohol. (Modes 1, 3, 5.)
13212–N		Southern California Edison, San Clemente, CA.	49 CFR 173.427, 173.465(c), 173.465(d).	To authorize the transportation in commerce of three large reactor coolant pumps containing Class 7 radioactive materials and surface contaminated objects. (Mode 1.)
13213–N		Washington State Ferries, Seattle, WA.	49 CFR 172.101(10a)	To authorize the transportation in commerce of limited quantities of Class 3, Class 9 and Division 2.1 hazardous materials being stowed on and below deck on passenger ferry vessels transporting motor vehicles, such as recreational vehicles, with attached cylinders of liquefied petroleum gas. (Mode 5.)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Financial Management Service

Privacy Act of 1974, System of Records

AGENCY: Financial Management Service, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of alterations to two Department of the Treasury, Financial Management Service (FMS), Privacy Act Systems of Records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), the Department of the Treasury, Financial Management Service (FMS), gives notice of proposed alterations to two of its existing systems of records, as follows: ''Payment Issue Records for Regular Recurring Benefit Payments—Treasury/FMS .002'' and ''Payment Records for Other Than Regular Recurring Benefit Payments .016.'' The systems of records were last published in the **Federal Register** in their entirety on August 22, 2001, beginning in 66 FR 44204. An alteration to the systems was published in the **Federal Register** on February 26, 2003, in 68 FR 8964.

DATES: Comments must be received no later than May 1, 2003. The proposed systems of records will be effective May 12, 2003 unless FMS receives comments which would result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Comments must be submitted to Federal Finance, Financial Management Service, 401 14th Street, SW., Room 426B, Washington, DC 20227, or by electronic mail to *michael.dressler@fms.treas.gov.* Comments received will be available for inspection at the same address between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Dressler, Financial Management Service, Federal Finance, (202) 874–7082.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Financial Management Service (FMS) is the money manager for the Federal Government. As such, FMS disburses over 900 million payments totaling more than $1.64 trillion in social security and veterans' benefits, income tax refunds, and other federal payments. In the operation of its payment programs, FMS maintains records on individuals who receive payments from the Federal Government. Records on individuals who receive Federal payments are maintained in FMS's ''Payment Issue Records for Regular Recurring Benefit Payments-Treasury/FMS .002,'' and ''Payment Records for Other Than Regular Recurring Benefit Payments-Treasury/FMS .016.''

As part of its continuing efforts to efficiently operate and manage its payment disbursement processes, FMS sometimes retains the services of its fiscal agents (the Federal Reserve Banks (FRBs)), financial agents (financial institutions), and/or contractors of FMS or FMS's fiscal or financial agents. For example, FMS may ask the FRB and/or a contractor to assist FMS in surveying payment recipients to ascertain public attitudes about direct deposit and other alternatives to check payments. Such

services assist FMS in determining the most efficient and effective way to deliver Government payments to the public. Disclosures of information maintained in FMS's systems of records, specifically, a payee's name and address, may be required in order for the FRB or a contractor to perform the services for which it has been retained. If disclosure to a financial agent or contractor is necessary, the financial agent or contractor to which disclosure is made will be subject to the same limitations applicable to FMS officers and employees under the Privacy Act. This means that the financial agent or contractor is required to safeguard Privacy Act information to prevent unauthorized use or disclosure of any Privacy Act records. In addition, the FRB and regulated financial institutions impose their own strict limitations concerning the protection of non-public personal information.

FMS is altering the referenced systems of records to allow disclosure of information from such systems to its fiscal or financial agents, their employees, agents or contractors, or to a private contractor as necessary to efficiently operate and manage its payment disbursement processes.

For the reasons set forth above, FMS proposes to alter its systems of records as follows:

Treasury/FMS .002

SYSTEM NAME:

Payment Issue Records for Regular Recurring Benefit Payments—Treasury/Financial Management Service.

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ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

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DESCRIPTION OF CHANGE:

The period ''.'' at the end of routine use (14) is replaced with a semicolon '';'', and the following routine use is added at the end thereof:

''(15) Disclose information to a fiscal or financial agent of the Financial Management Service, its employees, agents, and contractors, or to a contractor of the Financial Management Service, for the purpose of ensuring the efficient administration of payment processing services, subject to the same or equivalent limitations applicable to FMS officers and employees under the Privacy Act.''

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Treasury/FMS .016

SYSTEM NAME:

Payment Records for Other Than Regular Recurring Benefit Payments—Treasury/Financial Management Service.

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ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

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DESCRIPTION OF CHANGE:

The period ''.'' at the end of routine use (14) is replaced with a semicolon '';'', and the following routine use is added at the end thereof:

''(15) Disclose information to a fiscal or financial agent of the Financial Management Service, its employees, agents, and contractors, or to a contractor of the Financial Management Service, for the purpose of ensuring the efficient administration of payment processing services, subject to the same or equivalent limitations applicable to FMS officers and employees under the Privacy Act.''

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Dated: March 25, 2003.

W. Earl Wright, Jr.,

Chief Management and Administrative Programs Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–NEW (VA Home Loan Guaranty Program Evaluation)]

Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of Planning and Analysis, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Office of Planning and Analysis, Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed new collection of information, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to evaluate home loan guaranty and specially adapted housing grant programs.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before June 2, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information to Christopher LaLonde, Office of Assistant Secretary for Planning and Analysis (008B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20420 or *mailto:christopher.lalonde@mail.va.gov.* Please refer to ''OMB Control No. 2900–NEW (VA Home Loan Guaranty Program Evaluation)'' in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher LaLonde at (202) 273–2122 or FAX (202) 273–5993.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13; 44 U.S.C., 3501–3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, the Office of Planning and Analysis invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title: VA Home Loan Guaranty Program Evaluation.

OMB Control Number: None assigned.

Type of Review: New collection.

Abstract: The purpose of these surveys is to provide information for an evaluation that assesses the effectiveness and efficiency of VA Home Loan Guaranty Program for assisting eligible veterans and active duty military personnel to purchase, construct, repair, or improve a dwelling that they will own and occupy as their home; and to assess the adequacy, efficiency, and effectiveness of the Specially Adapted Housing Grant Program. These surveys will assist VA with the improvement of program operations and development of policy