

collections and their expected burden. NHTSA published a 60-day **Federal Register** notice for this collection on December 28, 2016 (81 FR 95729). The agency received 0 comments on that notice.

*Title:* Confidential Business Information.

*Type of Request:* Reinstatement of a currently approved collection.<sup>1</sup>

*Form Number:* This collection of information uses no standard forms.

*Requested Expiration Date of Approval:* Three (3) years from the date of approval of the collection.

*OMB Control Number:* 2127-0025.

*Frequency:* Submission of information pursuant to this regulation will depend on the frequency with which a given entity, such as a manufacturer of motor vehicles or motor vehicle equipment, submits information and a request that NHTSA hold the information confidential, generally pursuant to Exemption 4 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4).

*Affected Public:* This collection of information would apply to any person who seeks to have NHTSA treat as confidential information submitted to NHTSA either voluntarily or pursuant to a mandatory information request issued by NHTSA. Thus, the collection of information could apply to any of the entities over which NHTSA exercises regulatory authority. Recent trends lead NHTSA to estimate that it will receive approximately 500 requests for confidential treatment per year throughout the duration of this collection. Large manufacturers make the vast majority of requests for confidential treatment.

*Abstract:* NHTSA's Confidential Business Information (CBI) rule, coupled with case law, has governed the submission of requests for confidential treatment of information for over 20 years.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* Using the above estimate of approximately 500 requests for confidentiality per year, with an estimated eight hours of preparation to collect and provide the information, at an assumed rate of \$24.92 per hour, the annual estimated cost of collecting and preparing the information necessary for 500 complete requests for confidential treatment is about \$99,680 (8 hours of preparation ×

500 requests × \$24.92). Adding in a postage cost of \$3,325 (500 requests at a cost of \$6.65 for postage (priority flat rate envelope from USPS)), we estimate that it will cost \$103,005 per year for persons to prepare and submit the information necessary to satisfy the confidential business information provisions of 49 CFR part 512.

Requesters are not required to keep copies of any records or reports submitted to us. As a result, the cost imposed to keep records would be zero hours and zero costs.

*Number of Respondents:* We estimate that there will be approximately 500 requests per year.

*Summary of the Collection of Information:* Any entity seeking confidential treatment for information submitted to NHTSA will be required to request confidential treatment from NHTSA and to justify that request. To obtain confidential treatment of submitted information, the submitting entity must comply with the requirements in NHTSA's CBI regulation and satisfy the requirements for one of the exemptions provided under the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. 552(b).

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments, within 30 days, to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention NHTSA Desk Officer.

*Comments are invited on:* 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 most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Issued in Washington, DC, under authority delegated in 49 CFR part 1.95.

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*Acting Deputy Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[NHTSA-2017-0001]

#### Reports, Forms, and Record Keeping Requirements

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), DOT.  
**ACTION:** Request for public comment on proposed collection of information.

**SUMMARY:** Before a Federal agency can collect certain information from the public, it must receive approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Under procedures established by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before seeking OMB approval, Federal agencies must solicit public comment on proposed collections of information, including extensions and reinstatements of previously approved collections. This document describes one collection of information for which NHTSA intends to seek OMB approval.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before June 20, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket ID Number NHTSA-2017-0001 using any of the following methods:

*Electronic submissions:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

*Mail:* Docket Management Facility, M-30, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.

*Hand Delivery:* West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Fax: 1-202-493-2251.

*Instructions:* Each submission must include the Agency name and the Docket number for this Notice. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov> including any personal information provided.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mary T. Byrd, Contracting Officer's Representative, Office of Behavioral Safety Research (NPD-320), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W46-466, Washington, DC 20590. Mary T. Byrd's phone number is 202-366-5595, and her email address is [Mary.Byrd@dot.gov](mailto:Mary.Byrd@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before an agency submits a proposed

<sup>1</sup> NHTSA published a 60-day notice seeking a renewal of Information Collection 2127-0025 on December 28, 2016. Because NHTSA will be unable to submit the request for renewal of this collection to OMB prior to the collection's expiration on April 30, 2017, we are now requesting that the approval for this collection be reinstated rather than requesting that the approval be renewed.

collection of information to OMB for approval, it must publish a document in the **Federal Register** providing a 60-day comment period and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information. The OMB has promulgated regulations describing what must be included in such a document. Under OMB's regulations (at 5 CFR 1320.8(d)), an agency must ask for public comment on the following:

(i) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) How to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) How to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

In compliance with these requirements, NHTSA asks public comment on the following proposed collection of information:

*Title:* Psychological Constructs Related to Seat Belt Use.

*Type of Request:* New information collection requirement.

*OMB Clearance Number:* None.

*Form Number:* NHTSA Forms 1365 and 1366.

*Requested Expiration Date of Approval:* 3 years from date of approval.

*Summary of the Collection of Information:* The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) proposes to conduct a nationally representative web-based survey using the Growth for Knowledge (GfK) KnowledgePanel, a probability-based web panel that has been in existence since 1999, to identify psychological constructs and psychosocial factors associated with the non-use and part-time use of seat belts. This research would give the traffic safety community greater insight regarding characteristics of seat belt nonusers to inform development of countermeasures tailored to more effectively encourage seat belt use among this group. The survey would measure self-reported seat belt use, psychosocial factors, and psychological constructs to understand how these factors are related.

A maximum of 20,394 KnowledgePanel panelists would be contacted via email to obtain 6,000 completed surveys. Of the 20,394 panelists contacted, it is estimated that approximately 50% or 10,197 potential respondents would log into the web portal to complete the screener instrument. It is estimated that 95% of those who complete the one minute screener (about 9,687) would be eligible for participation in the survey. Eligible panelists include U.S. residents aged 16 years or older who have driven or ridden in a motor vehicle (defined as a "car, van, truck, taxi or ride-sharing service") within the past year. Eligible participants would be sampled to obtain a sufficient number who report not wearing seat belts all of the time. Of the 6,316 sampled eligible, it is estimated that 95% or 6,000 would complete the full 19 minute survey. The total estimated burden for this data collection is 2,070 hours.

*Description of the Need for the Information and Proposed Use of the Information*—NHTSA was established by the Highway Safety Act of 1970 (23 U.S.C. 101) to carry out a Congressional mandate to reduce the mounting number of deaths, injuries, and economic losses resulting from motor vehicle crashes on the Nation's highways. As part of this statutory mandate, NHTSA is authorized to conduct research as a foundation for the development of motor vehicle standards and traffic safety programs.

Seat belts reduce the risk of death by 45% among drivers and front-seat passenger car occupants and by 60% among drivers and front-seat light truck occupants across all crash types—yet, not everyone uses a seat belt on every trip. According to the latest National Occupant Protection Use Survey (NOPUS), seat belt use in the United States was 90% in 2016. Although a high percentage of people were observed wearing seat belts through NOPUS, among passenger vehicle occupants killed in motor vehicle crashes in 2015, only 51% were wearing a seat belt. Thus, there is still room to save lives by getting more people to wear seat belts. In order to develop programs with potential to reach those who do not wear seat belts, we need to know as much as we can about this group. Currently, we know a lot about the demographic correlates of seat belt use (*e.g.*, age, gender), but we do not know much about other individual-level contributors to nonuse. The purpose of this research is to identify psychological constructs and psychosocial factors associated with the non-use and part-

time use of seat belts to inform the development of countermeasures.

*Description of the Likely Respondents (Including Estimated Number, and Proposed Frequency of Response to the Collection of Information)*—Under this proposed data collection, the potential respondent universe would be U.S. residents aged 16 years or older who have driven or ridden in a motor vehicle within the past year. Survey participants would be recruited from the KnowledgePanel using email invitations to obtain 6,000 completed surveys. Each participant would complete a single survey; there would be no request for additional follow-up information or response.

Throughout the project, the privacy of all participants would be protected. Access to the survey would be controlled using a password-protected email account and web portal. Surveys would be self-administered and only accessible for a designated period. These measures protect respondent responses from being compromised.

Personally-identifiable information, such as the postal address of sample members, would be kept separate from the data collected and would be stored in restricted folders on secure password protected servers that are only accessible to study staff who need to access such information. In addition, all data collected from respondents would be reported in aggregate, and identifying information would not be used in any reports resulting from this data collection effort. Rigorous de-identification procedures would be used during summary and feedback stages to prevent respondents from being identified through reconstructive means.

*Estimate of the Total Annual Reporting and Record Keeping Burden Resulting from the Collection of Information*—NHTSA estimates that the total respondent burden for this data collection would be 2,070 hours. NHTSA would contact 20,394 KnowledgePanel panelists via an invitation email to obtain 6,000 completed surveys. Of the 20,394 panelists contacted, it is estimated that approximately 50% or 10,197 potential respondents would log into the web portal to complete the screener instrument. The estimated burden for the screener is 170 hours (10,197 \* 1 minute = 10,197 minutes/60 = 170 hours). Based upon the screening questions as well as the sampling plan, it is estimated 510 respondents would not be eligible and that 3,371 eligible respondents would not be sampled (selected to complete the full survey). Based upon a 95% completion rate

among the 6,316 sampled respondents, it is anticipated that 6,000 respondents would complete the full survey. The estimated burden for the full survey, which would average 19 minutes in length, is 1,900 hours (6,000 \* 19 minutes = 114,000 minutes/60 = 1,900 hours). The participants would not incur any reporting cost from the information collection. The participants would also not incur any record keeping burden or record keeping cost from the information collection. The overall estimated burden for this data collection is 170 hours for the screener and 1,900 hours for the full survey for a total of 2,070 hours.

**Authority:** 44 U.S.C. Section 3506(c)(2)(A).

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**Jeff Michael,**

*Associate Administrator, Research and Program Development.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA-2017-0018 (Notice No. 2017-01)]

#### Hazardous Materials: Information Collection Activities

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

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

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, PHMSA invites comments on 11 information collections pertaining to hazardous materials transportation for which PHMSA intends to request renewal from the Office of Management and Budget.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before June 20, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by the Docket Number PHMSA-2017-0018 (Notice No. 2017-01) by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251.

- *Mail:* Docket Management System; U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Routing Symbol M-30, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.

- *Hand Delivery:* To the Docket Management System; Room W12-140 on the ground floor of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**Instructions:** All submissions must include the agency name and Docket Number (PHMSA-2017-0018) for this notice at the beginning of the comment. To avoid duplication, please use only one of these four methods. All comments received will be posted without change to the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) and will include any personal information you provide.

Requests for a copy of an information collection should be directed to Steven Andrews or T. Glenn Foster, Standards and Rulemaking Division, (202) 366-8553, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

**Docket:** For access to the dockets to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> or DOT's Docket Operations Office (see **ADDRESSES**).

**Privacy Act:** In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. 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 [www.dot.gov/privacy](http://www.dot.gov/privacy).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Steven Andrews or T. Glenn Foster, Standards and Rulemaking Division, (202) 366-8553, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 1320.8 (d), title 5, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 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 information collection requests that PHMSA will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for renewal and extension. These information collections are contained in 49 CFR 171.6 of the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR; 49 CFR parts 171-180). PHMSA has revised burden estimates, where appropriate, to reflect current reporting levels or adjustments

based on changes in proposed or final rules published since the information collections were last approved. The following information is provided for each information collection: (1) Title of the information collection, including former title if a change is being made; (2) OMB control number; (3) summary of the information collection activity; (4) description of affected public; (5) estimate of total annual reporting and recordkeeping burden; and (6) frequency of collection. PHMSA will request a 3-year term of approval for each information collection activity and will publish a notice in the **Federal Register** upon OMB's approval.

PHMSA requests comments on the following 11 information collections:

1. **Title:** Hazardous Materials Security Plans.

**OMB Control Number:** 2137-0612.

**Summary:** To assure public safety, shippers and carriers must take reasonable measures to plan and implement procedures to prevent unauthorized persons from taking control of, or attacking, hazardous materials shipments. Part 172 of the HMR requires persons who offer or transport certain hazardous materials to develop and implement written plans to enhance the security of hazardous materials shipments. The security plan requirements as prescribed in § 172.800(b) apply to specific types of shipments. Such shipments include but are not limited to: Shipments greater than 3,000 kg (6,614 pounds) for solids or 3,000 liters (792 gallons) for liquids and gases in a single packaging such as a cargo tank motor vehicle, portable tank, tank car, or other bulk container; any quantity of a Division 1.1, 1.2, or 1.3 material; a large bulk quantity of a Division 2.1 material; or any quantity of a poison-by-inhalation material. A security plan will enable shippers and carriers to reduce the possibility that a hazardous materials shipment will be used as a weapon of opportunity by a terrorist or criminal.

**Affected Public:** Shippers and carriers of hazardous materials in commerce.

**Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:**

**Number of Respondents:** 54,999.

**Total Annual Responses:** 54,999.

**Total Annual Burden Hours:** 427,719.

**Frequency of Collection:** On occasion.

2. **Title:** Rulemaking, Special Permits, and Preemption Requirements.

**OMB Control Number:** 2137-0051.

**Summary:** This collection of information applies to procedures for requesting changes, exceptions, and other determinations in relation to the HMR. Specific areas covered in this