

Supplemental Security Income programs by accepting oral requests from claimants in person or by telephone. Due to unanticipated business process considerations regarding such oral requests, we are rescinding this change. However, we will honor any oral requests that we have received from August 14, 2006, until the effective date of this withdrawal notice.

Dated: September 6, 2006.

Martin H. Gerry,

Deputy Commissioner for Disability and Income Security Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5543]

Determination on U.S. Position on Proposed European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) Project in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Pursuant to section 561 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2006 (Pub. L. 109-102) (FOAA), and Department of State Delegation of Authority Number 289, I hereby determine that the proposed 20 million Euro EBRD investment package, to provide financing to Raiffeisen Bank Bosnia and Herzegovina (RBBH) for expanded financing of small and medium-size enterprises (SMEs) and retail lending, will contribute to a stronger and more integrated economy in Bosnia and Herzegovina and directly support implementation of the Dayton Accords. I therefore waive the application of Section 561 of the FOAA to the extent that provision would otherwise prevent the U.S. Executive Directors of the EBRD from voting in favor of this project.

This Determination shall be reported to the Congress and published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: August 31, 2006.

Daniel Fried,

Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

[FTA Docket No. FTA-2006-25778]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Transit Administration invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval to renew the following information collections:

- (1) Bus Testing Program.
- (2) Transit Research, Development, Demonstration and Deployment Projects. The collections involve our Bus Testing and Transit Research Programs. The information to be collected for the Bus Testing Program is necessary to ensure that buses have been tested at the Bus Testing Center for maintainability, reliability, safety, performance, structural integrity, fuel economy, emissions, and noise. The information to be collected for Transit Research, Development, Demonstration and Deployment Projects is necessary to determine eligibility of applicants and ensure mass transportation service at a minimum cost. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments was published on June 20, 2006.

DATES: Comments must be submitted before October 12, 2006. A comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sylvia L. Marion, Office of Administration, Office of Management Planning, (202) 366-6680.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Bus Testing Program (OMB Number: 2132-0550).

Abstract: 49 U.S.C. 5323(c) provides that no Federal funds appropriated or made available after September 30, 1989, may be obligated or expended for the acquisition of a new bus model (including any model using alternative fuels) unless the bus has been tested at the Bus Testing Center (Center) in Altoona, Pennsylvania. 49 U.S.C. 5318(a) further specifies that each new bus model is to be tested for maintainability, reliability, safety, performance (including braking performance), structural integrity, fuel economy, emissions, and noise.

The operator of the Bus Testing Center, the Pennsylvania Transportation Institute (PTI), has entered into a cooperative agreement with FTA. PTI operates and maintains the Center, and establishes and collects fees for the testing of the vehicles at the facility. Upon completion of the testing of the vehicle at the Center, a test report is provided to the manufacturer of the new bus model. The bus manufacturer certifies to an FTA grantee that the bus the grantee is purchasing to an FTA grantee has been tested at the Center. Also, grantees about to purchase a bus use this report to assist them in making their purchasing decisions. PTI maintains a reference file for all the test reports which are made available to the public.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 404 hours.

Title: 49 U.S.C. Section 5312(a) Transit Research, Development, Demonstration and Deployment Projects.

Abstract: 49 U.S.C. 5312(a) authorizes the Secretary of Transportation to make grants or contracts for research, development, demonstration and deployment projects, and evaluation of technology of national significance to public transportation, that the Secretary determines will improve mass transportation service or help transportation service meet the total urban transportation needs at a minimum cost. In carrying out the provisions of this section, the Secretary is also authorized to request and receive appropriate information from any source.

The information collected is submitted as part of the application for grants and cooperative agreements and is used to determine eligibility of applicants. Collection of this information also provides documentation that the applicants and recipients are meeting program objectives and are complying with FTA Circular 6100.1B and other Federal requirements.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 11,240 hours.

ADDRESSES: All written comments must refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document and be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: FTA Desk Officer.

Comments are Invited On: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department,