

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Railroad Administration****Petition for Waiver of Compliance**

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) has received a request for a waiver of compliance from certain requirements of its safety standards. The individual petition is described below, including the party seeking relief, the regulatory provisions involved, the nature of the relief being requested, and the petitioner's arguments in favor of relief.

CSX Transportation (Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2008-0111)

CSX Transportation (CSXT) petitioned FRA for a waiver from 49 CFR 213.113(a) to permit variance from the accepted practice of stop/start rail test hand verification for a continuous rail test pilot project for a period of 8 weeks on the main tracks of the North End subdivision between Richmond, Virginia, and Rocky Mount, North Carolina, milepost limits A0.0-123.2. Prior to beginning the pilot project, the North End subdivision main tracks will be rail tested with a conventional stop/start rail test vehicle and any normally scheduled intervals during the pilot project will be maintained by convention stop/start rail test vehicle.

The continuous high speed rail test vehicle will be a self propelled rail-bound ultrasound Sperry car operating at speeds up to 25 miles per hour in non-stop mode making weekly runs. Upon completion of each run, data will be analyzed offline by a group of experts with experience in this process. The analysis will categorize and prioritize suspect defect locations. Two teams of verifiers will then be sent out with field instruments to check locations based upon Global Positioning System (GPS) coordinates. Locations will be checked 60 feet either side of suspect GPS point. Remedial actions will be applied as per 49 CFR 213.113 for confirmed rail defects. CSXT states that continuous rail testing will provide the capability to test track more frequently, minimizing the risk of rail service failure.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before

the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2008-0111) and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Web site:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax:* 202-493-2251.
- *Mail:* Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- *Hand Delivery:* 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.-5 p.m.) at the above facility. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the Internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78).

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Grady C. Cothen, Jr.,

Deputy Associate Administrator for Safety Standards and Program Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration**

[Docket No. PHMSA-2008-0211]

Information Collection Activities

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration.

ACTION: Notice; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: PHMSA is extending the period for public comment to its **Federal Register** Notice issued on September 4, 2008 (73 FR 51697) that proposes to revise forms PHMSA F 7100.2—Incident Report for Gas Transmission and Gathering Systems; PHMSA F 7100.1—Incident Report for Gas Distribution Systems; and PHMSA F 7000-1—Accident Report for Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Systems.

DATES: Interested parties are invited to submit comments on or before December 12, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Comments should reference Docket No. PHMSA-2008-0211 and may be submitted in the following ways:

- *E-Gov Web Site:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. This site allows the public to enter comments on any **Federal Register** notice issued by any agency.
- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251.
- *Mail:* DOT Docket Operations Facility (M-30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590.

- *Hand Delivery:* DOT Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Instructions: In the E-Gov Web site: <http://www.regulations.gov>, access the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking by typing "PHMSA-2008-0211" under "Search Documents" and clicking "Go." Submit your comment by clicking the yellow bubble or "Send a Comment or Submission" then following the instructions.

Identify docket number PHMSA-2008-0211 at the beginning of your comments. For comments by mail, please provide two copies. To receive PHMSA's confirmation receipt, include a self-addressed stamped postcard. Internet users may access all comments at <http://www.regulations.gov>, by searching for the docket number.

Note: PHMSA will post all comments without changes or edits to <http://www.regulations.gov> including any personal information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Roger Little by telephone at 202-366-4569, by fax at 202-366-4566, or by mail at U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., PHP-10, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In response to requests for extension of the

comment period made by trade association representatives from the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America, the American Petroleum Institute, the Association of Oil Pipelines and the American Gas Association, PHMSA is extending the comment period until December 12, 2008.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 23, 2008.

Jeffrey D. Wiese,

Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

Notice and Request for Comments

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.

ACTION: 30-day notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.* (PRA), the Surface Transportation Board (STB or Board) gives notice that it has submitted a request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for an extension of approval without change of a currently approved collection: Application to Open a Billing Account. The Board previously published a notice about these collections in the **Federal Register** on June 16, 2008, at 73 FR 34068. That notice allowed for a 60-day public review and comment period. No comments were received.

This information collection is described in detail below. Comments are requested concerning (1) The accuracy of the Board's burden estimates; (2) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; (3) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, when appropriate; and (4) whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Board, including whether the collection has practical utility.

Description of Collection

Title: Application to Open a Billing Account.

OMB Control Number: 2140-0006.

STB Form Number: STB Form 1032.

Type of Review: Extension without change.

Respondents: Rail carriers, shippers, and others doing business before the STB.

Number of Respondents: 20.

Estimated Time per Response: Less than .08 hours, based on actual survey of respondents.

Frequency: One time per respondent.

Total Burden Hours (annually including all respondents): Less than 1.6 hours.

Total "Non-hour Burden" Cost: No "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this collection have been identified.

Needs and Uses: The Board is, by statute, responsible for the economic regulation of freight rail carriers and certain other carriers operating in interstate commerce. This form is used by persons doing business before the Board who wish to open an account with the Board to facilitate their payment of filing fees; fees for the search, review, copying, and certification of records; and other services rendered by the Board. An account holder is billed on a monthly basis for payment of accumulated fees. Data provided is also used for debt collection activities. The application form requests information as required by OMB and U.S. Department of Treasury regulations for the collection of fees. This information is not duplicated by any other agency. In accordance with the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. 552a, all taxpayer identification and social security numbers are secured and used only for credit management and debt collection activities.

DATES: Written comments are due on December 1, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be directed to Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Surface Transportation Board Desk Officer, by fax at (202) 395-6974 or by mail at 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

For Further Information or to Obtain a Copy of the STB Form, Contact: Anthony Jacobik, Jr., (202) 245-0346. [Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) for the hearing impaired: (800) 877-8339.]

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA, a Federal agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection displays a currently valid OMB control number. A collection of information, which is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c), includes agency requirements that persons submit reports, keep records, or provide

information to the agency, third parties, or the public. Section 3507(b) of the PRA requires, concurrent with an agency's submitting a collection to OMB for approval, a 30-day notice and comment period through publication in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information.

Dated: October 24, 2008.

Andrea Pope-Matheson,

Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

October 23, 2008.

The Department of Treasury is planning to renew the following public information collection requirement(s) for OMB 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 11000, 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before December 29, 2008 to be assured of consideration.

Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP)

OMB Number: 1520-0001.

Type of Review: Extension.

Form: BEP 5283.

Title: Owner's Affidavit of Partial Destruction of Mutilated Currency.

Description: The Office of Currency Standards, Bureau of Engraving & Printing requests owners of partially destroyed U.S. currency to complete a notarized affidavit (BEP 5283) for each claim submitted when substantial portions of notes are missing.

Respondents: Individuals or households.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 90 hours.

OMB Number: 1520-0002.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Claim for Amounts Due in the Case of Deceased Owner of Mutilated Currency.

Form: BEP 5287.

Description: BEP 5287 is used when Treasury is required to determine ownership in cases of a deceased owner of damaged or mutilated currency.