English and must be submitted no later than January 14, 2013. Comments and reply comments must be submitted using http://www.regulations.gov, docket number USTR-2012-0035. In the unusual case where submitters are unable to make submissions through regulations.gov, the submitter must contact Yvonne Jamison at (202) 395-3475 to make alternate arrangements. To submit comments using http:// www.regulations.gov, enter docket number USTR-2012-0035 under "Key Word or ID" on the home page and click "Search". The site will provide a search results page listing all documents associated with this docket. Locate the reference to this notice, and click on "Comment Now!" Follow the instructions given on the screen to submit a comment. The http:// www.regulations.gov Web site offers the option of providing comments by filling in a "Type Comment" field or by attaching a document using the "Upload File(s)" option. While both options are acceptable, USTR prefers submissions in the form of an attachment. If you attach a comment, it is sufficient to type "see attached" in the comment section. Please do not attach separate cover letters to electronic submissions; rather, include any information that might appear in a cover letter in the comments themselves. Similarly, to the extent possible, please include any exhibits, annexes, or other attachments in the same file as the submission itself, not as separate files. (For further information on using the www.regulations.gov Web site, please consult the resources provided on the Web site by clicking on the "help" tab.) Submitters should provide updated information on all issues they cite in their filings; USTR will not review submissions that are copies of earlier submissions.

# **Business Confidential Submissions**

For any comments submitted electronically containing business confidential information, the file name of the business confidential version should begin with the characters "BC". The top of any page containing business confidential information must be clearly marked "BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL". Any person filing comments that contain business confidential information must also file in a separate submission a public version of the comments. The file name of the public version of the comments should begin with the character "P". The "BC" and "P" should be followed by the name of the person or entity submitting the comments. The submitter must include in the comments a written explanation of why the information should be

protected. The submission must indicate, with asterisks, where confidential information was redacted or deleted. The top and bottom of each page of the non-confidential version must be marked either "PUBLIC VERSION" or "NON-CONFIDENTIAL".

#### **Public Inspection of Submissions**

Comments will be placed in the docket and open to public inspection, except confidential business information. Comments may be viewed on the <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a> Web site by entering the relevant docket number in the search field on the home page.

#### Douglas M. Bell,

Chair, Trade Policy Staff Committee.
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#### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

[Docket No. DOT-OST-2004-16951]

## Request for Comments of a Previously Approved Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, DOT. **ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below is being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comments. A Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following information collection was published on September 11, 2012 (77 FR 55893). No comments where received.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before December 26, 2012.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Vanessa R. Balgobin, (202) 366–9721, Office of Aviation Analysis, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Exemptions for Air Taxi Operations.

OMB Control Number: 2105–0565. Type of Request: Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection.

Abstract: Part 298 of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Exemptions for Air Taxi Registration, establishes a classification of air carriers known as air taxi operators that offer ondemand passenger service. The

regulation exempts these small operators from certain provisions of the Federal statute to permit them to obtain economic authority by filing a one-page, front and back, OST Form 4507, Air Taxi Operator Registration, and Amendments under Part 298 of DOT's Regulations.

DOT expects to receive 200 new air taxi registrations and 2,200 amended air taxi registrations each year, resulting in 2,400 total respondents. Further, DOT expects filers of new registrations to take 1 hour to complete the form, while it should only take 30 minutes to prepare amendments to the form. Thus, the total annual burden is expected to be 1,300 hours.

Affected Public: U.S. air taxi operators.

Number of Respondents: 2,400. Frequency: On occasion. Number of Responses: 2,400. Total Annual Burden: 1,300 hours.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the burden estimate, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for the Office of the Secretary of Transportation, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

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.

**Authority:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1:48.

Issued in Washington, DC on Monday, November 19, 2011.

#### Habib Azarsina.

OST PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Secretary

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

# **Federal Highway Administration**

[Docket No. FHWA-2012-0116]

Agency Information Collection
Activities: Request for Comments for a
New Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

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

SUMMARY: FHWA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval for a new information collection, which is summarized below under SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION. We published a Federal Register Notice with a 60-day public comment period on this information collection on August 23, 2012. We are required to publish this notice in the Federal Register by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Please submit comments by December 26, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may 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 DOT Desk Officer. You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the FHWA's performance; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized, including the use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information. All comments should include the Docket number FHWA-2012-0116.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Moulden, 202–493–3470, Turner-Fairbank Highway Research Center, Office of Corporate Research, Technology, and Innovation Management, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 6300 Georgetown Pike, McLean, VA 22101. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Federal Highway Administration Research, Development and Technology Agenda Web site.

Background: Title 23, United States Code, Section 502(a)(5) requires that Federal surface transportation research and development activities address the needs of stakeholders, including "States, metropolitan planning organizations, local governments, the private sector, researchers, research sponsors, and other affected parties, including public interest groups." As part of its effort to ensure that Federal research, development and technology (RD&T) activities are addressing the most critical national challenges, the Federal Highway Administration

(FHWA) is developing the RD&T Agenda Web site. This Web site will communicate FHWA's RD&T goals, objectives and strategies to its stakeholders and highlight notable initiatives or projects that illustrate FHWA's RD&T approach. The Web site will include an electronic mechanism for stakeholders to provide feedback on the overall RD&T Agenda, FHWA's approach to addressing national transportation challenges, and potential opportunities for FHWA to collaborate with stakeholders to address them.

Respondents: Approximately 1,000 annual respondents.

Frequency: Annually.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: Approximately 10 minutes per respondent per year.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: Approximately 167 hours per year.

**Authority:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

Issued on: November 19, 2012.

#### Victoria Scott,

Business Operations Group Manager, Information Technology Division. [FR Doc. 2012–28449 Filed 11–23–12; 8:45 am]

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### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

# Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

# Sunshine Act Meetings; Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors

**AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors Meeting.

TIME AND DATE: The meeting will be held on December 6, 2012, from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

**PLACE:** This meeting will be open to the public via conference call. Any interested person may call 1–877–820–7831, passcode, 908048 to listen and participate in this meeting.

STATUS: Open to the public.

Matters To Be Considered: The Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors (the Board) will continue its work in developing and implementing the Unified Carrier Registration Plan and Agreement and to that end, may consider matters properly before the Board.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Avelino Gutierrez, Chair, Unified Carrier Registration Board of Directors at (505) 827–4565.

Issued on: November 14, 2012.

#### Larry W. Minor,

Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration. [FR Doc. 2012–28697 Filed 11–21–12; 11:15 am]

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

#### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[FMCSA Docket No. FMCSA-2012-0281]

# Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Diabetes Mellitus

**AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of final disposition.

**SUMMARY:** FMCSA announces its decision to exempt 18 individuals from its rule prohibiting persons with insulin-treated diabetes mellitus (ITDM) from operating commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) in interstate commerce. The exemptions will enable these individuals to operate CMVs in interstate commerce.

**DATES:** The exemptions are effective November 26, 2012. The exemptions expire on November 26, 2014.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elaine M. Papp, Chief, Medical Programs Division, (202) 366–4001, fmcsamedical@dot.gov, FMCSA, Room W64–224, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590– 0001. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# **Electronic Access**

You may see all the comments online through the Federal Document Management System (FDMS) at: http://www.regulations.gov.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments, go to http://www.regulations.gov and/or Room W12–140 on the ground level of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Privacy Act: Anyone may search the electronic form of all comments received into any of DOT's dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or of the person signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, or other entity). You may review DOT's Privacy Act Statement for the Federal