DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Railroad Administration
[DOCKET NO. FRA–1999–6439, NOTICE NO. 25]

ADJUSTMENT OF NATIONWIDE SIGNIFICANT RISK THRESHOLD

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of Adjustment of Nationwide Significant Risk Threshold.

SUMMARY: Under title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Use of Locomotive Horns at Public Highway-Rail Grade Crossings, FRA is updating the Nationwide Significant Risk Threshold (NSRT). This action is needed to ensure the public has the proper permissible risk threshold to evaluate risk resulting from prohibiting routine locomotive horn sounding at highway-rail grade crossings located in quiet zones. This is the seventh update to the NSRT and it is increasing from 14,347 to 14,723.

DATES: The effective date of this notice is April 25, 2017.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The NSRT is an average of the risk indexes for gated public crossings.

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\text{Fatality Rate} = \frac{\text{Fatal Incidents}}{\text{Injuries in Injury-Only Incidents}} = \frac{217}{641} = 1.2442
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Applying the fatality rate and injury rate to the probable number of fatalities and injuries predicted to occur at each of the 44,591 identified crossings, and the predicted cost of the associated injuries and fatalities, FRA calculates the NSRT is 14,723. Accordingly, this updated NSRT value will serve as one threshold of permissible risk for quiet zones established across the nation pursuant to 49 CFR part 222.

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Acting Administrator.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
[DOCKET NO. NHTSA–2016–0123]

REPORTS, FORMS AND RECORD KEEPING REQUIREMENTS AGENCY INFORMATION COLLECTION ACTIVITY UNDER OMB REVIEW

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collections and their expected burden.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before May 25, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW.,