

Department") as set forth in Title 22 of the United States Code, in particular Section 2656 of that Title, and consistent with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix). The approval of this Charter by the Under Secretary for Management constitutes a determination by the Secretary of State that this Committee Charter is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties of the Department.

The previous Charter for the Board was established on March 6, 2015. In accordance with Public Law 92-463, Section 14, it has been formally determined to be in the public interest to continue the Charter for another two years.

The Charter renewal was approved on April 5, 2017.

For further information about the Board, please contact Dr. Ebony Coleman, Designated Federal Officer for the Board, Office of the U.S. Global AIDS Coordinator and Health Diplomacy at [ColemanEM@state.gov](mailto:ColemanEM@state.gov).

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**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.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

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

$$\text{Fatality Rate} = \frac{\text{Fatalities}}{\text{Fatal Incidents}} = \frac{270}{217} = 1.2442$$

$$\text{Injury Rate} = \frac{\text{Injuries in Injury-Only Incidents}}{\text{Injury-Only Incidents}} = \frac{1050}{641} = 1.6381$$

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.

**Patrick T. Warren,**

*Acting Administrator.*

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**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.

nationwide where train horns are routinely sounded. FRA developed this risk index to serve as one threshold of permissible risk for quiet zones established across the nation under 49 CFR part 222, Use of Locomotive Horns at Public Highway-Rail Grade Crossings. Thus, a community trying to establish and/or maintain its quiet zone, under 49 CFR part 222, can compare the Quiet Zone Risk Index calculated for its specific crossing corridor to the NSRT to determine whether sufficient measures have been taken to compensate for the excess risk that results from prohibiting routine sounding of the locomotive horn. In the alternative, a community can establish its quiet zone in comparison to the Risk Index With Horns, which is defined in 49 CFR 222.9 as a measure of risk to the motoring public when locomotive horns are routinely sounded at every public highway-rail grade crossing within a quiet zone.

FRA has periodically updated the NSRT since 2006. FRA last updated the NSRT in 2013, when FRA calculated the NSRT to be 14,347. 78 FR 70623, Nov. 26, 2013.

**New NSRT**

Using collision data over a 5-year period from 2011 to 2015, FRA has recalculated the NSRT based on formulas identified in 49 CFR part 222, appendix D. In making this recalculation, FRA noted the total number of gated crossings nationwide where train horns are routinely sounded was 44,591.

**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.,