

subset from the from the 240-person respondent pool will need 2 hours to complete a driving simulator study. The 120-person subset from the from the 240-person respondent pool will need 45 minutes to partake in the field test.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: Approximately 2,000 hours to complete the initial 5-minute survey. Approximately 2,790 hours to complete all the other later activities.

Public Comments Invited: 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 burdens; (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. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

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

Issued On: December 21, 2017.

Michael Howell,

Information Collection Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2002-13398]

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

Under part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that on November 8, 2017, the Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority (HART) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for an extension of its existing Shared Use waiver of compliance addressing its limited connection with CSX Transportation (CSX). The petition was assigned docket number FRA-2002-13398.

In its petition, HART seeks to extend the terms and conditions of its Shared Use waiver, originally granted by FRA's Railroad Safety Board (Board) on October 18, 2002, and extended in 2006, 2011, and 2013. This Shared Use waiver is for the continued operation of the TECO Line Streetcar System at a "limited connection" (across the 14th Street automatic interlocking at-grade

rail-rail crossing) with a railroad operated by CSX in Tampa, Florida. Trains belonging to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) also cross at this location. In its petition, HART sites that there have been no deficiencies with its operation since the last approval in 2013 and that HART, CSX, and Amtrak have continually interfaced with FRA Regional staff to monitor the safety at that location.

Although no relief from any specific regulations is sought, FRA has closely monitored this crossing to ensure that the HART streetcar personnel such as operators and dispatchers regularly communicate with CSX and Amtrak in order to ensure safety at this location. FRA's regular audits at this location focus on operating practices contained in 49 CFR part 217, *Railroad Operating Rules*, in order to ensure that CSX, Amtrak, and streetcar crews are trained properly at this location and understand what to do if signals malfunction or other issues arise.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, W12-140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

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 parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, 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 and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- **Website:** <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, Room 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 by February 12, 2018 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable.

Anyone can 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 document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/privacy>. See also <https://www.regulations.gov/privacyNotice> for the privacy notice of *regulations.gov*.

Robert C. Lauby,

Associate Administrator for Railroad Safety, Chief Safety Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. DOT-MARAD-2017-0194]

Request for Comments on the Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection: Seamen's Claims, Administrative Action and Litigation

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Maritime Administration (MARAD) invites public comments on our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. The information to be collected will be used to evaluate injury claims made by seamen working aboard government-owned vessels. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before February 26, 2018.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments [identified by Docket No. DOT-MARAD-2017-0194] through one of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Search using the above DOT docket number and follow

the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Yarrington, (202) 366-1915, Office of Marine Insurance, Maritime Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the Department's performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for the Department to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

Title: Seamen's Claims, Administrative Action and Litigation.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0522.

Type of Request: Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection.

Abstract: The information is submitted by claimants seeking payments for injuries or illnesses they sustained while serving as masters or members of a crew on board a vessel owned or operated by the United States. The filing of a claim is a jurisdictional requirement for MARAD liability for such claims. MARAD reviews the information and makes a determination regarding agency liability and payments.

Respondents: Officers or members of a crew who suffered death, injury, or illness while employed on vessels owned or operated by the United States. Also included in this description of respondents are surviving dependents, beneficiaries, and/or legal representatives of the officers or crew members.

Affected Public: Officers or members of a crew who suffered death, injury, or illness while employed on vessels owned or operated by the United States. Also included in this description of respondents are surviving dependents, beneficiaries, and/or legal representatives of the officers or crew members.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 15.

Estimated Number of Responses: 15.

Estimated Hours per Response: 12.5.
Annual Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 188.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

(Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.93.)

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By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Dated: December 15, 2017.

T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket Number DOT-NHTSA-2017-0104]

Notice and Request for Comments

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation (DOT) invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. Before a Federal agency can collect certain information from the public, it must receive approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Under procedures established by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before seeking OMB approval, Federal agencies must solicit public comment on proposed collections of information, including extensions and reinstatement of previously approved collections.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 26, 2018.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments [identified by Docket No. DOT-NHTSA-20XX-XXXX] through one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary R. Toth, Office of Data Acquisitions (NSA-0100), Room W53-505, 1200 New

Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. Mr. Toth's telephone number is (202) 366-5378. Please identify the relevant collection of information by referring to its OMB Control Number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Crash Investigation Sampling System (CISS).

OMB Control Number: 2127-0706.

Type of Request: Collection of motor vehicle crash data.

Abstract: The collection of crash data that support the establishment and enforcement of motor vehicle regulations that reduce the severity of injury and property damage caused by motor vehicle crashes is authorized under the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-563, Title 1, Sec. 106, 108, and 112). The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has been investigating high severity crashes and collecting crash data through its National Automotive Sampling System (NASS) Crashworthiness Data System (NASS-CDS) and Special Crash Investigation (SCI) programs. The NASS was designed in the 1970's to collect data. Due to population shifts and vehicle transformation, among many other changes since NASS was established, the crash population has changed in the country. At the same time, the data needs of the transportation community have significantly increased over the last three decades. The scope of traffic safety studies has also been expanding. For example, the primary focus of the original NASS design was to enhance crashworthiness by providing detailed information about crush damage, restraint system performance and injury mechanisms. In recent years, however, the transportation community has been increasingly more interested in adding data elements related to what happens before a crash and related crash avoidance safety countermeasures.

Recognizing the importance as well as the limitations of the past NASS system, NHTSA has undertaken a modernization effort to upgrade our data systems by improving the information technology infrastructure, updating the data we collect and reexamining the sample sites. The goal of this overall modernization effort was to develop a new crash data system that meets current and future data needs. The newly redesigned investigation-based acquisition system is a nationally-representative sample of passenger vehicle crashes. This newly-designed system, the Crash Investigation Sampling System (CISS), will focus on detailed investigation of passenger vehicle crashes. CISS was implemented