

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) announces its plan to submit the Information Collection Request (ICR) described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for its review and approval and invites public comment. FMCSA requests approval to renew an ICR titled, "Electronic Logging Device (ELD) Vendor Registration." This ICR is necessary for ELD vendors to register their ELDs with the Agency.

DATES: Please send your comments by January 28, 2019. OMB must receive your comments by this date in order to act quickly on the ICR.

ADDRESSES: All comments should reference Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Docket Number FMCSA-2018-0287. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the attention of the Desk Officer, Department of Transportation/Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and sent via electronic mail to oir_submission@omb.eop.gov, or faxed to (202) 395-6974, or mailed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mike Huntley, Vehicle and Roadside Operations Division, Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, 6th Floor, West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001. Telephone: 202-366-9209; Email Address: michael.huntley@dot.gov. Office hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Electronic Logging Device (ELD) Vendor Registration.

OMB Control Number: 2126-0062.

Type of Request: Renewal of a currently approved information collection.

Respondents: ELD vendors.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 224.

Estimated Time per Response: 15 minutes.

Expiration Date: December 31, 2018.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 336 hours [224 respondents × 2 devices per

respondent × 3 updates per device × 15 minutes per response].

Background

On December 16, 2015, FMCSA published a final rule titled "Electronic Logging Devices and Hours of Service Supporting Documents," (80 FR 78292) that established minimum performance and design standards for hours-of-service (HOS) ELDs; requirements for the mandatory use of these devices by drivers currently required to prepare HOS records of duty status (RODS); requirements concerning HOS supporting documents; and measures to address concerns about harassment resulting from the mandatory use of ELDs.

To ensure consistency among ELD vendors and devices, detailed functional specifications were published as part of the December 2015 final rule. Each ELD vendor developing an ELD technology must register online at a secure FMCSA website where the ELD provider can securely certify that its ELD is compliant with the functional specifications. Each ELD vendor must certify that each ELD model and version has been sufficiently tested to meet the functional requirements in the rule under the conditions in which the ELD would be used.

ELD vendors must self-certify and register their devices with FMCSA online via Form MCSA-5893, "Electronic Logging Device (ELD) Vendor Registration and Certification." FMCSA expects 100% of respondents to submit their information electronically. Once completed, FMCSA issues a unique identification number that the ELD vendor will embed in their device(s). FMCSA maintains a list on its website of the current ELD vendors and devices that have been certified (by the vendors) to meet the functional specifications. The information is necessary for fleets and drivers to easily find a compliant ELD for their use in complying with the FMCSA regulation requiring the use of ELDs.

On September 17, 2018, FMCSA published a notice in the **Federal Register** with a 60-day public comment period to announce this request to renew the information collection (83 FR 46997). The Agency received two comments in response to the notice.

One commenter noted general support for the ELD registration requirements. The second commenter, Garmin International, Inc., requested that FMCSA: (1) Include the data transfer methods supported by each ELD in the Agency's online list of current ELD vendors and devices that have been certified (by the vendors) to meet the

functional specifications; and (2) refer inspectors to the Agency's online list for information regarding data transfer methods supported by ELDs and the latest compliant software versions. While neither of these impact the information collection, FMCSA notes that: (1) The Agency is in the process of updating the list of certified ELDs on its website to include supported data transfer methods; and (2) the Agency provides extensive training and outreach to its enforcement partners regarding the online list of current ELD vendors and devices that have been certified to meet the functional specifications, including the compliant software version of each device.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for FMCSA to perform its functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways for FMCSA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information.

Issued under the authority delegated in 49 CFR 1.87 on: December 20, 2018.

Kelly Regal,

Associate Administrator for Office of Research and Information Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2018-0185]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws: Vessel JULIANA III (32' Stern Picker); Invitation for Public Comments

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirements of the coastwise trade laws to allow the carriage of no more than twelve passengers for hire on vessels, which are three years old or more. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below.

DATES: Submit comments on or before January 28, 2019.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket Number

MARAD–2018–0185 by any one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal*: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Search MARAD–2018–0185 and follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail or Hand Delivery*: Docket Management Facility is in the West Building, Ground Floor of the U.S. Department of Transportation. The Docket Management Facility location address is: U.S. Department of Transportation, MARAD–2018–0185, 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.

Note: If you mail or hand-deliver your comments, we recommend that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a telephone number in the body of your document so that we can contact you if we have questions regarding your submission.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and specific docket number. All comments received will be posted without change to the docket at www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on submitting comments, see the section entitled Public Participation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bianca Carr, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W23–453, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202–366–9309, Email Bianca.carr@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel JULIANA III is:

—*Intended Commercial Use of Vessel*:

“This vessel is also used to provide commercial maritime transportation for Maritime Pilots and to taxi passengers from larger vessels to the shore.”

—*Including Base of Operations*:

“Norton Sound, in the Bering Sea: from Port Clarence to the North, to Cape Romanzoff to the South; from Koyuk to the East, to St. Lawrence Island to the West.” (Base of Operations: Port of Nome, Alaska).

—*Vessel Length and Type*: 32’ aluminum stern picker.

The complete application is available for review identified in the DOT docket as MARAD–2018–0185 at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in

accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD’s regulations at 46 CFR part 388, that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the vessel name, state the commenter’s interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in section 388.4 of MARAD’s regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

Public Participation

How do I submit comments?

Please submit your comments, including the attachments, following the instructions provided under the above heading entitled **ADDRESSES**. Be advised that it may take a few hours or even days for your comment to be reflected on the docket. In addition, your comments must be written in English. We encourage you to provide concise comments and you may attach additional documents as necessary. There is no limit on the length of the attachments.

Where do I go to read public comments, and find supporting information?

Go to the docket online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, keyword search MARAD–2018–0185 or visit the Docket Management Facility (see **ADDRESSES** for hours of operation). We recommend that you periodically check the Docket for new submissions and supporting material.

Will my comments be made available to the public?

Yes. Be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, will be made publicly available.

May I submit comments confidentially?

If you wish to submit comments under a claim of confidentiality, you should submit three copies of your complete submission, including the information you claim to be confidential business information, to the Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, Office of Legislation and Regulations, MAR–225, W24–220, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. Include a cover letter setting forth with specificity the basis for any such claim and, if possible, a summary of your submission that can be made available to the public.

Privacy Act

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process.

DOT posts these comments, without edit, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice, DOT/ALL–14 FDMS, accessible through www.dot.gov/privacy. To facilitate comment tracking and response, we encourage commenters to provide their name, or the name of their organization; however, submission of names is completely optional. Whether or not commenters identify themselves, all timely comments will be fully considered. If you wish to provide comments containing proprietary or confidential information, please contact the agency for alternate submission instructions.

(Authority: 49 CFR 1.93(a), 46 U.S.C. 55103, 46 U.S.C. 12121) * * *

Dated: December 20, 2018.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. DOT–OST–2018–0215]

Privacy Act of 1974; Department of Transportation (DOT), Federal Aviation Administration, (DOT/FAA) 833 Quarters Management Information System (QMIS) System of Records

AGENCY: Office of the Departmental Chief Information Officer, Office of the Secretary of Transportation, DOT.

ACTION: Rescindment of a System of Records Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, the Department of Transportation is proposing to retire a Department of Transportation system of records titled, ‘Department of Transportation/Federal Aviation Administration (DOT/FAA) 833 Quarters Management Information System (QMIS) System of Records,’ which covered employees occupying FAA owned or leased housing. The FAA uses the DOI iQMS to support business activities formerly managed in QMIS. See (https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/iqmisis_pia_final_06.13.2018.pdf). iQMIS is not a system of records because records cannot be retrieved by an individual’s name or other unique identifier. Users retrieve records by housing installation name and housing unit number. Rent collected from the employee/tenant through payroll deduction actions are processed through the DOI’s Federal