

abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the information collection and its expected burden. On October 26, 2018, FRA published a notice providing a 60-day period for public comment on the ICR.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before June 6, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the ICR to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention: FRA Desk Officer. Comments may also be sent via email to OMB at the following address: oir-submissions@omb.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Rachel Grice, Engineering Psychologist, Office of Railroad Policy & Development, Human Factors Division, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-8005); or Ms. Kim Toone, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Administration, Office of Information Technology, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6132).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520, and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, require Federal agencies to issue two notices seeking public comment on information collection activities before OMB may approve paperwork packages. See 44 U.S.C. 3506, 3507; 5 CFR 1320.8 through 1320.12. On October 26, 2018, FRA published a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** soliciting comment on the ICR for which it is now seeking OMB approval. See 83 FR 54173. FRA received one comment in response to this notice from the Transportation Trades Department, AFL-CIO (TTD). TTD questioned the scope of the study due to the intent to survey locomotive engineers, while excluding conductors, whom TTD contends are equally likely to suffer additional fatigue due to commute time. TTD explained that, like engineers, conductors are required to perform a number of safety-sensitive functions on the job, which can be hampered by fatigue. Additionally, TTD notes the hours of service statute and regulations do not differentiate between the two occupations, providing identical fatigue protections for all "train employees." To address these concerns, FRA revised the scope of the study to include conductors in addition to locomotive engineers. The inclusion of

conductors will enable FRA to get the most complete results from this study on fatigue conditions.

Before OMB decides whether to approve this proposed collection of information, it must provide 30 days for public comment. Federal law requires OMB to approve or disapprove paperwork packages between 30 and 60 days after the 30-day notice is published. 44 U.S.C. 3507(b)-(c); 5 CFR 1320.10(b); see also 60 FR 44978, 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. OMB believes the 30-day notice informs the regulated community to file relevant comments and affords the agency adequate time to digest public comments before it renders a decision. 60 FR 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. Therefore, respondents should submit their respective comments to OMB within 30 days of publication to best ensure having their full effect.

Comments are invited on the following ICR regarding: (1) Whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FRA's estimates of the burden of the information collection activities, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimates; (3) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The summary below describes the ICR that FRA will submit for OMB clearance as the PRA requires:

Title: The Impact of Commute Times on the Fatigue and Safety of Locomotive Engineers and Conductors.

OMB Control Number: 2130-NEW.

Abstract: Time-on-task and time awake are two well-known factors that contribute to fatigue. Time-on-task refers to the length of time a person has been performing a task, whereas time awake refers to the length of time since a person last slept. Both these factors can have a detrimental effect on performance, with the risk of adverse safety events (e.g., crashes) increasing as the length of time that a person performs a task or remains awake increases. These factors also influence each other; that is, the negative effects of increasing time-on-task may become evident sooner if the person has also been awake for a long time. Drivers with longer commutes experience greater time awake and time-on-task than drivers with shorter commutes. A growing body of evidence from a

number of industries (e.g., medical, mining, long-haul trucking) suggests that commuting time has a detrimental impact on driving performance, particularly when combined with night-time shift work. However, the extent to which these factors impact the fatigue and safety of locomotive engineers and conductors remains unknown.

Type of Request: New information collection.

Affected Public: Railroad Workers.
Form(s): FRA F 245.

Respondent Universe: 69,000 total (31,000 locomotive engineers and 38,000 conductors).

Frequency of Submission: Single submission per person.

Reporting Burden: The estimated total annual burden is 3,450 hours across the 10,350 locomotive engineers and conductors (estimating a 15% response rate). Each respondent completes a single online questionnaire and the questionnaire is estimated to take 20 minutes.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 10,350 responses.

Total Estimated Annual Burden: 3,450 hours.

Under 44 U.S.C. 3507(a) and 5 CFR 1320.5(b) and 1320.8(b)(3)(vi), FRA informs all interested parties that it may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2019-0008]

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

Under part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that on January 31, 2019, the Knoxville & Holston River Railroad (KXHR) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR parts 215 and 224. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2019-0008.

Specifically, KXHR requests relief from 49 CFR 215.303, *Stenciling of restricted cars*, for 5 freight cars (Car Nos. KXHR 9, KXHR 11, KXHR 1101,

KXHR 2614, and KXHR 10048). Petitioner also requests a Special Approval under 49 CFR 215.203(c), because these cars are older than 50 years of age from the date of original construction. KXHR also requests relief from 49 CFR part 224, *Reflectorization of Rail Freight Rolling Stock*, for these same 5 cars.

KXHR states it has kept the cars for educational purposes and the occasional antique freight train for photographers to preserve a small portion of railroad history. KXHR wishes to preserve period-correct stenciling for aesthetics reasons. All cars will be empty. The maximum speed of these cars is 10 miles per hour. KXHR explains the cars have been inspected and found to be safe and suitable for service to operate under the conditions set forth in the petition. The territorial limits of the operation are within KXHR's trackage and only KXHR will operate these cars.

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, 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 June 21, 2019 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received

after that date will be considered as far as 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.). In accordance with 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 www.regulations.gov.

Issued in Washington, DC.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket Number NHTSA-2019-0027]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Notice and Request for Comments; State Notification to Consumers of Motor Vehicle Recall Status

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

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Information Collection; Request for Comment.

SUMMARY: 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.

This document describes an Information Collection Request (ICR) for which NHTSA intends to seek OMB approval.

DATES: Send comments on or before July 5, 2019.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by [Docket No. NHTSA-

2019-0027] by any 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: Alexander Ansley, Program Support Division, Office of Defect Investigation (NEF-110), (202) 493-0481, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, W48-336, Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before an agency submits a proposed collection of information to OMB for approval, it must first publish a document in the **Federal Register** providing a 60-day comment period and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information. The OMB has promulgated regulations describing what must be included in such a document. Under OMB's regulation at 5 CFR 1320.8(d), an agency must ask for public comment on the following: (i) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (ii) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (iii) how to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (iv) how to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

In compliance with these requirements, NHTSA asks for public comments on the following proposed collection of information:

Title of Collection: State Notification to Consumers of Motor Vehicle Recall Status.

OMB Control Number: None.

Type of Request: New information collection request.

Type of Review: Regular.