

AVERAGE ANNUAL NUMBER OF RESPONSES FOR FY 2017–2019	
Type of filing	Average number of filings per year under 49 U.S.C. 10901–03 and 11323–26
Applications .....	3
Petitions * .....	12
Notices * .....	103

AVERAGE ANNUAL NUMBER OF RESPONSES FOR FY 2017–2019—Continued	
Type of filing	Average number of filings per year under 49 U.S.C. 10901–03 and 11323–26
Interchange commitments ....	4

Total Burden Hours (annually including all respondents): 4,257 (sum of estimated hours per response × number of responses for each type of filing).

TOTAL ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS

Type of filing	Hours per response	Annual number of filings	Total annual burden hours
Applications .....	524	3	1,572
Petitions * .....	58	12	696
Notices * .....	19	103	1,957
Interchange commitments .....	8	4	32
Total annual burden hours .....			4,257

\* Under section 10502, petitions for exemption and notices of exemption are permitted in lieu of an application.

**Total “Non-hour Burden” Cost:** Because Board collections are submitted electronically to the Board, there is no cost for filing with the Board. However, for some filings, respondents are sometimes required to send consultation letters to various other governmental agencies. Copies of these letters are part of an environmental and historic report that must be filed with this collection (unless waived by the Board). Because some of these other agencies may require hard copy letters, there may be some limited mailing costs, which staff estimates in total to be approximately \$1,750.

**Needs and Uses:** As mandated by Congress, persons seeking to construct, acquire or operate a line of railroad and railroads seeking to abandon or to discontinue operations over a line of railroad or, in the case of two or more railroads, to consolidate their interests through merger or a common-control arrangement are required to file an application for prior approval and authority with the Board. See 49 U.S.C. 10901–03, 11323–26. Under 49 U.S.C. 10502, persons may seek an exemption from many of the application requirements of sections 10901–03 and 11323–26 by filing with the Board a petition for exemption or notice of exemption in lieu of an application. The collection by the Board of these applications, petitions, and notices (including collection of disclosures of rail interchange commitments under 49 CFR 1121.3(d), 1150.33(h), 1150.43(h), and 1180.4(g)(4)) enables the Board to meet its statutory duty to regulate the referenced rail transactions. In cases in

which the requests for authority involve agreements with interchange commitments that may limit the future interchange of traffic with third parties, certain information must be disclosed to the Board about those commitments. 49 CFR 1121.3(d), 1150.33(h), 1150.43(h), 1180.4(g)(4). The collection of this information facilitates the case-specific review of interchange commitments and enables the Board’s monitoring of their usage generally.

Under the PRA, a Federal agency that conducts or sponsors a collection of information must display a currently valid OMB control number. A collection of information, which is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c), includes agency requirements that persons submit reports, keep records, or provide information to the agency, third parties, or the public. Section 3507(b) of the PRA requires, concurrent with an agency’s submitting a collection to OMB for approval, a 30-day notice and comment period through publication in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information.

Dated: June 12, 2020.  
**Jeffrey Herzig,**  
*Clearance Clerk.*  
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**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**  
**[Docket No. FD 36410]**

**Northeast Texas Connector, LLC—Operating Exemption—Northeast Texas Rural Rail Transportation District**

Northeast Texas Connector, LLC (NETC), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to operate a rail line owned by the Northeast Texas Rural Rail Transportation District (NETEX) located between milepost 555.0 in Greenville, Tex., and milepost 489.41 in Winfield, Tex., a distance of approximately 65.59 route miles (the Line).<sup>1</sup>

NETC states that the proposed transaction does not involve any provision or agreement that would limit future interchange with a third-party connecting carrier. NETC certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not result in the creation of a Class II or Class I rail carrier and will not exceed \$5 million.

NETC has also filed a petition for waiver of 49 CFR 1150.32(b), which states that a notice of exemption will be effective 30 days after the notice is filed. NETC asks the Board to waive that provision and allow this notice to become effective after 23 days so that NETC can assume operations by June

<sup>1</sup> On February 14, 2020, another carrier, The Blacklands Railroad (BLR), was granted an exemption to discontinue its operations on the Line and an adjacent 10.41-mile segment of track owned by Union Pacific Railroad Company. *Blacklands R.R.—Discontinuance of Serv. Exemption—in Hunt, Delta, Hopkins, Franklin, & Titus Cties., Tex.*, AB 1108 (Sub-No. 1X) (STB served Feb. 14, 2020).

26, 2020. NETC states that BLR intends to discontinue its operations on the Line on June 30, 2020, and that NETC seeks to avoid a disruption of rail service on the Line. NETC's request will be addressed in a separate decision. The Board will establish the effective date of the exemption in its separate decision on the waiver request.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions for stay must be filed no later than June 24, 2020.

All pleadings, referring to Docket No. 36410, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board either via e-filing or in writing addressed to 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on NETC's representative, Charles Shewmake, Thompson & Knight, LLP, One Arts Plaza, 1722 Routh Street, Suite 1500, Dallas, TX 75201.

According to NETC, this action is categorically excluded from environmental review under 49 CFR 1105.6(c) and from historic reporting requirements under 49 CFR 1105.8(b)(1).

Board decisions and notices are available at [www.stb.gov](http://www.stb.gov).

Decided: June 15, 2020.

By the Board, Allison C. Davis, Director, Office of Proceedings.

**Brendetta Jones,**  
Clearance Clerk.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No. 2020-0616]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of a Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Certification Procedures for Products and Parts

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

approval to renew an information collection in FAA regulations that prescribe certification standards for aircraft, aircraft engines, propellers appliances and parts. The information collected is used to determine compliance and applicant eligibility. The respondents are aircraft parts designers, manufacturers, and aircraft owners.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted by August 18, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Please send written comments:

*By Electronic Docket:* <https://www.regulations.gov> (Enter docket number into search field).

*By mail:* Brian Cable, Federal Aviation Administration, AIR-6C0, 800 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20591.

*By fax:* 202-267-1813.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brian Cable by email at: [brian.cable@faa.gov](mailto:brian.cable@faa.gov); phone: 202-267-1579.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Public Comments Invited:* You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for FAA's performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for FAA 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.

*OMB Control Number:* 2120-0018.

*Title:* Certification Procedures for Products and Parts.

*Form Numbers:* FAA Forms 8110-12, 8130-1, 8130-6, 8130-9, 8130-12.

*Type of Review:* Renewal of an information collection.

*Background:* 14 CFR part 21 prescribes certification standards for aircraft, aircraft engines, propellers appliances and parts. The information collected is used to determine compliance and applicant eligibility. FAA Airworthiness inspectors, designated inspectors, engineers, and designated engineers review the required data submittals to determine that aviation products and articles and their manufacturing facilities comply with the applicable requirements, and that the products and articles have no unsafe features.

*Respondents:* Approximately 50,700 aircraft parts designers, manufacturers, and aircraft owners.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Estimated Average Burden per Response:* 30 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 18,785 hours.

Issued in Washington, DC, on June 16, 2020.

**Joy Wolf,**

*Management & Program Analyst for Regulatory and Guidance Processing, Aircraft Certification Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2020-0085]

#### Request for Comments on the Approval of a Previously Approved Information Collection: Determination of Fair and Reasonable Rates for Carriage of Agriculture Cargoes on U.S. Commercial Vessels

**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 by the Maritime Administration in determining fair and reasonable guideline rates for the carriage of preference cargoes on U.S.-flag vessels. In addition, U.S.-flag vessel operators are required to submit Post Voyage Reports to the Maritime Administration after completion of a cargo preference voyage. 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 August 18, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments [identified by Docket No. MARAD-2019-0085] 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.

*Comments are invited on:* (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the Department's