

an additional 30 days for public comments.

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

Title: Implementation of Vessel Speed Restrictions To Reduce the Threat of Ship Collisions With North Atlantic Right Whales.

OMB Control Number: 0648–0580.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission [revision of a currently approved collection].

Number of Respondents: 3,624.

Average Hours per Response: One hour for electronic surveys, 2.5 hours for focus groups, 5 minutes for logbook entries.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 674.

Needs and Uses: This request is for a revision to a currently approved information collection. On October 10, 2008, NMFS published a final rule (0648–AS36) implementing seasonal speed restrictions along the east coast of the U.S. to reduce the incidence and severity of vessel collisions with North Atlantic right whales (73 FR 60173). The final rule contained a mandatory collection-of-information requirement subject to the Paperwork Reduction act (PRA), which collects information about safety deviations from the rule in alignment with 50 CFR 224.105(c). The restrictions are in effect seasonally in discrete areas along the U.S. eastern seaboard. NMFS provided a safety exception to the restrictions due to poor weather or sea conditions. Ships' captains are required to make an entry into the vessel's Official Logbook when an exception is necessary.

This revision to the current information collection includes a voluntary survey effort of vessel operators to evaluate their ability and willingness to: (1) Comply with North Atlantic right whale mandatory speed restrictions, and (2) cooperate with voluntary speed reduction efforts to protect North Atlantic right whales, which are promoted through NMFS outreach efforts. We will collect information from two types of vessels (pleasure yachts and large ocean going vessel) in two different areas of the North Atlantic right whales' range using voluntary online surveys and small focus groups. The surveys will collect information about vessel operators time spent on the water, experience and knowledge about large whales, knowledge of North Atlantic vessel strike reduction efforts, opinions about these whales and conservation efforts, and their preferred means of receiving information. Results from this information collection will be used to

develop effective outreach to these vessel communities, with the long-term goal of improving the communities' compliance with mandatory measures and cooperation with voluntary measures that support North Atlantic right whale vessel strike reduction conservation efforts.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: One time for electronic surveys and focus groups, logbook entries on occasion as necessary.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: US Code: 16 U.S.C. 1531–1543 Name of Law: Endangered Species Act.

This information collection request may be viewed at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function and entering either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number 0648–0580.

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Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Rules for Patent Maintenance Fees

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. The USPTO invites comment on this information collection renewal, which helps the USPTO assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's burden.

Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on April 30, 2021 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

Agency: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce.

Title: Rules for Patent Maintenance Fees.

OMB Control Number: 0651–0016.

Form Numbers:

- PTO/SB/66 (Petition to Accept Unintentionally Delayed Payment of Maintenance Fee in an Expired Patent)
- PTO/SB/47 (Fee Address Indication Form)
- PTO/AIA/47 (Fee Address Indication Form)

Type of Review: Extension and revision of a currently approved information collection.

Number of Respondents: 44,542 respondents per year.

Estimated Time per Response: The USPTO estimates that it will take the public 0.08 hours (5 minutes) to 8 hours to complete the items in this information collection, depending on the instruments used, to gather the necessary information, create the document, and submit the completed item to the USPTO.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 6,864 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Non-Hour Cost Burden: \$3,098,564.

Needs and Uses:

If a patent has expired due to nonpayment of a maintenance fee, the patentee may petition the Director to accept a delayed payment of the maintenance fee under 37 CFR 1.378. The Director may accept the payment of a maintenance fee after the expiration of the patent if the petitioner shows to the satisfaction of the Director that the delay in payment was unintentional. Petitions to accept unintentionally delayed payment must also be accompanied by the required maintenance fee and the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m). If the Director accepts the maintenance fee payment upon petition, then the patent is reinstated. If the USPTO denies a petition to accept delayed payment of a maintenance fee in an expired patent, the patentee may petition the Director to reconsider that decision under 37 CFR 1.378(d). The rules of practice (37 CFR 1.33(d) and 1.363) permit applicants, patentees, assignees, or their representatives of record to specify a "fee address" for correspondence related to maintenance fees that is separate from the correspondence address associated with a patent or application. A fee address must be an address that is associated

with a USPTO customer number. Customer numbers may be requested by using the Request for Customer Number Form (PTO/SB/125), which is covered under OMB control number 0651–0035. Maintaining a correct and updated address is necessary so that fee-related correspondence from the USPTO will be properly received by the applicant, patentee, assignee, or authorized representative. If a separate fee address is not specified for a patent or application, the USPTO will direct fee-related correspondence to the correspondence address of record.

The maintenance fees and transmittal forms that were previously a part of this information collection, and mentioned in the 60-day notice, have now been removed. These items are considered exempt from the PRA under 5 CFR 1320.3(h)(10).

Affected Public: Private sector, individuals or households.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

This information collection request may be viewed at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce, USPTO information collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for this information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function and entering either the title of the information collection or the OMB Control Number 0651–0016.

Further information can be obtained by:

- *Email:* InformationCollection@uspto.gov. Include “0651–0016 information request” in the subject line of the message.

- *Mail:* Kimberly Hardy, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450.

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Information Collections Officer, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION

[Docket No. CFPB–2021–0016]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

AGENCY: Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection (Bureau) is requesting to renew the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for an existing information collection, titled, “Report of Terms of Credit Card Plans (Form FR 2572) and Consumer and College Credit Card Agreements.”

DATES: Written comments are encouraged and must be received on or before October 21, 2021 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function. In general, all comments received will become public records, including any personal information provided. Sensitive personal information, such as account numbers or Social Security numbers, should not be included.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Documentation prepared in support of this information collection request is available at www.reginfo.gov (*this link becomes active on the day following publication of this notice*). Select “Information Collection Review,” under “Currently under Review,” use the dropdown menu “Select Agency” and select “Consumer Financial Protection Bureau” (recent submissions to OMB will be at the top of the list). The same documentation is also available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Requests for additional information should be directed to Anthony May, Paperwork Reduction Act Officer, at (202) 841–0544, or email: CFPB_PRA@cfpb.gov. If you require this document in an alternative electronic format, please contact CFPB_Accessibility@cfpb.gov. Please do not submit comments to these email boxes.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Report of Terms of Credit Card Plans (Form FR 2572) and

Consumer and College Credit Card Agreements.

OMB Control Number: 3170–0001.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: Businesses and other for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 615.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 501.

Abstract: The proposed revision to OMB Control Number 3170–0001 will incorporate requirements currently contained in OMB Control Number 3170–0052. The Bureau has and will continue to use both information collections to gather different types of credit card data. Each information collection requires different forms of credit card data from credit card issuers as required by the Truth in Lending Act (TILA) (15 U.S.C. 1601, *et seq.*) and implementing regulations:

- Form FR 2572 collects data on credit card pricing and availability from a sample of at least 150 financial institutions that offer credit cards. The data enables the Bureau to present information to the public on terms of credit card plans;

- Sections 204 and 305 of the Credit Card Accountability Responsibility and Disclosure Act of 2009 (CARD Act), amending TILA, and 12 CFR 1026.57(d) and 226.58 require card issuers to submit to the Bureau:

- Agreements between the issuer and a consumer under a credit card account for an open-end consumer credit plan; and
- any college credit card agreements to which the issuer is a party and certain additional information regarding those agreements.

The data collections enable the Bureau to provide Congress and the public with a centralized and searchable repository for consumer and college credit card agreements and information regarding the arrangements between financial institutions and institutions of higher education.

Request for Comments: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Bureau, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) The accuracy of the Bureau’s estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methods and the assumptions used; (c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the