commensurate with the risks associated with the portfolios of its members.

Accordingly, the Commission finds the Proposed Rule Change is consistent with Rule 17Ad-22(e)(6)(i) under the Act because it is designed to assist NSCC in maintaining a risk-based margin system that considers, and produces margin levels commensurate with, the risks and particular attributes of members' portfolios.41

# VII. Conclusion

On the basis of the foregoing, the Commission finds that the Proposed Rule Change is consistent with the requirements of the Act and in particular with the requirements of Section 17A of the Act 42 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act 43 that Proposed Rule Change SR-NSCC-2023-011, be, and hereby is, approved.44

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.45

## Sherry R. Haywood,

Assistant Secretary.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **Federal Aviation Administration**

[Docket No. 2013-0259]

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments:** Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Advisory Circular: Reporting of Laser **Illumination of Aircraft** 

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), 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 renew information collection. The Federal Register Notice with a 60day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on August

17, 2023. The collection involves information to be collected will be used to and/or is necessary because Advisory Circular 70-2B provides guidance to civilian air crews on the reporting of laser illumination incidents and recommended mitigation actions to be taken in order to ensure continued safe and orderly flight operations.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted by February 13, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Please send written comments:

By Electronic Docket: www.regulations.gov (Enter docket number into search field)

By mail: Nicholas Torgerson, Federal Aviation Administration, AJR-223, 800 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20591.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nicholas Torgerson, by email at: *Nicholas.d.torgerson@faa.gov*; phone: 202-322-4157

## 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: 2120-0698. Title: Advisory Circular (AC): Reporting of Laser Illumination of Aircraft.

Form Numbers: Advisory Circular 70-2B, Reporting of Laser Illumination of Aircraft.

Type of Review: Renewal of an information collection.

Background: The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on August 17, 2023 (88 FR 58633). Advisory Circular 70-2B provides guidance to civilian air crews on the reporting of laser illumination incidents and recommended mitigation actions to be taken in order to ensure continued safe and orderly flight operations. Information is collected from pilots and aircrews that are affected by an unauthorized illumination by lasers. The requested reporting involves an immediate broadcast notification to Air Traffic Control (ATC) when the incident occurs, as well as a broadcast warning of the incident if the aircrew is flying in

uncontrolled airspace. In addition, the AC requests that the aircrew supply a written report of the incident and send it by fax or email to the Washington Operations Control Complex (WOCC) as soon as possible.

Respondents: Approximately 1,100 pilots and crewmembers.

Frequency: Information is collected on occasion.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: 10 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 183

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 10, 2024.

#### Sandra L. Ray,

Aviation Safety Inspector, AFS-260. [FR Doc. 2024-00687 Filed 1-12-24; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910-13-P

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### **Federal Railroad Administration**

[Docket Number FRA-2023-0066]

# **Petition for Waivers of Compliance**

Under part 211 of title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that on August 10, 2023, Georgia Central Railway, L.P. and Heart of Georgia Railroad, Inc. (Petitioners) submitted a request to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) under 49 CFR 211.51 for approval of a test program, and the temporary suspension of certain FRA safety regulations in connection with that program (Program). Petitioners explain that the proposed test program involves a system of a "novel, selfpropelled, zero-emission, batteryelectric rail vehicle" (Vehicle) and its associated computer and telemetry technology (System), manufactured by Parallel Systems, Inc. Petitioners state that the goal of the technology is to provide smaller freight railroads an opportunity to meaningfully compete in the short-haul transportation of containers, and the technology also provides "numerous public benefits for the environment, the economy, the national highway system, and communities disproportionately impacted by highway movement of containers." Petitioners contend that "safety is an overriding focus of the proposed program" and the Pilot Test Safety Plan is included in Exhibit C of the submission. Petitioners state that the Program is "designed to evaluate the effectiveness of the system and new operational approaches to rail vehicle technology in the short-haul movement of containers."

<sup>41 17</sup> CFR 240.17Ad-22(e)(6)(i).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78q-1.

<sup>43 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 44}\,\rm In$  approving the Proposed Rule Change, the Commission considered its impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

<sup>45 17</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).