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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Amanda J. Shotto by email at amanda.j.shotto@faa.gov; phone: 202–267–8744.

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.

OMB Control Number: 2120–0557.

Title: Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) Application.

Form Numbers: FAA Form 5500–1, 5500–2, 5500–3, 5500–4.

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 April 26, 2024 (89 FR 32521). The DOT/FAA will use any information submitted in response to this collection to carry out the intent of 49 U.S.C. 40117. This statute authorizes public agencies controlling airports to impose PFCs and use PFC revenues. The information collected enables the FAA to approve the collection of PFC revenue for projects which preserve or enhance safety, security, or capacity of the national air transportation system, or which reduce noise or mitigate noise impacts resulting from an airport, or which furnish opportunities for enhanced competition between or among air carriers, and to provide oversight of the PFC program, as required by statute.

Respondents: Approximately 615 respondents annually.

Frequency: On occasion.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: 2 Hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 33,015 Hours.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 11, 2024.

David F. Cushing,

Manager, Airports Financial Assistance Division, APP–500.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA–2024–0026]

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) and its implementing regulations, this notice announces that FRA is forwarding the Information Collection Request (ICR) summarized below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the information collection and its expected burden. On July 30, 2024, FRA published a notice providing a 60-day period for public comment on the ICR. FRA received no comments in response to the notice.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 18, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed ICR should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find the particular ICR by selecting “Currently under Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Arlette Mussington, Information Collection Clearance Officer, at email: arlette.mussington@dot.gov or telephone: (571) 609–1285 or Ms. Joanne Swafford, Information Collection Clearance Officer, at email: joanne.swafford@dot.gov or telephone: (757) 897–9908.

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 July 30, 2024, FRA published a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** soliciting public comment on the ICR for which it is now seeking OMB approval. See 89 FR 61230. FRA has received no comments related to the proposed collection of information.

Before OMB decides whether to approve this proposed collection of information, it must provide 30 days’

notice 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 1320.12(d); see also 60 FR 44978, 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. The 30-day notice informs the regulated community of its opportunity to file relevant comments and affords the agency adequate time to consider public comments before it renders a decision. 60 FR 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. Therefore, each respondent should submit their 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: Uniform Report of Small Business (SB) Commitments/Awards and Payments.

OMB Control Number: 2130–New.
Abstract: The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program is statutorily mandated and intended to assist small businesses owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals compete fairly in the Department of Transportation’s transportation funding programs for certain highway, transit, and aviation programs. The DBE program is implemented by recipients of DOT financial assistance. The DOT DBE directive does not include rail assistance programs and FRA does not have a mandated DBE program. Rather, FRA issues and manages rail assistance programs in compliance with the DOT regulations for implementing Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 found at 49 CFR part 21 and the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards found at 2 CFR part 200. Specifically, 2 CFR 200.321 (a) through (b)(6) provides affirmative steps a non-Federal entity must take to assure that minority businesses, women’s

business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

In 2015, Congress instructed the Secretary of Transportation to conduct a nationwide disparity and availability study on the availability and use of small businesses owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals and veteran-owned small businesses in publicly funded intercity rail passenger transportation projects.

The report for the study was provided to Congress in 2022. The report noted a gap in data available for analysis to determine if there is any disparity in rail transportation grant awards. To address the data gap identified in the report, FRA is proposing to add new form, FRA F 6180.281 titled, Small Business (SB) Commitments/Awards and Payments. The proposed data collection will address this gap and aid future considerations of the application of the DBE program.

The purpose of FRA F 6180.281 is to collect data from grant recipients to determine the amount of dollars from FRA grants and contracts that flow to small, women-owned and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE). This would identify all prime contractors, sub-contractors, consultants, and vendors that FRA grant recipients worked with and on which they spent grant funds. Additionally, the proposed new form, FRA F 6180.281 "SB Commitments/Awards and Payments" would be used by FRA to carry out its oversight responsibilities of non-Federal entities receiving grant funds.

This collection of information aligns with DOT's Strategic Goal of Equity as it supports establishing economic equity for small businesses owned by disadvantaged individuals and promoting development opportunities.

Type of Request: Approval of a new collection of information.

Affected Public: Generally, includes States and local governments and railroads.

Form(s): FRA F 6180.281.

Respondent Universe: 140 grant recipients.

Frequency of Submission: Annually.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 140.

Total Estimated Annual Burden: 49,980 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Burden Hour Dollar Cost Equivalent: \$2,289,584.

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 that does not display a currently valid OMB control number.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520.

Christopher S. Van Nostrand,

Deputy Chief Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–0717]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: Child Care Provider Information—For the Child Care Subsidy Program

AGENCY: Human Resources and Administration/Operations, Security, and Preparedness (HRA/OSP), Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Human Resources and Administration/Operations, Security, and Preparedness (HRA/OSP), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden, and it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent by November 18, 2024.

ADDRESSES: To submit comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection, please type the following link into your browser: www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain, select "Currently under Review—Open for Public Comments", then search the list for the information collection by Title or "OMB Control No. 2900–0717." **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** VA PRA information: Maribel Aponte, 202–461–8900, vacopaperworkreduct@va.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Child Care Provider Information—For the Child Care Subsidy Program.

OMB Control Number: 2900–0717
<https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAsearch>.

Type of Review: Reinstatement with change of a previously approved collection.

Abstract: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) needs to collect information from child care providers to

determine employee eligibility to participate in the VA Child Care Subsidy Program.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 89 FR 56477, July 9, 2024.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 937 Hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 15 Minutes.

Frequency of Response: On Occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 4,500.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

Maribel Aponte,

VA PRA Clearance Officer, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Dependency and Indemnity Compensation Cost of Living Adjustments

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As required by the Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2023, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is hereby giving notice of Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA) in certain benefit rates. These COLAs affect the Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) Program. The rate of the adjustment is tied to the increase in Social Security benefits, effective December 1, 2023, as announced by the Social Security Administration (SSA). SSA has announced an increase of 3.2%.

DATES: The increases in amounts became effective December 1, 2023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gabrielle Mancuso, Lead Management and Program Analyst, Pension and Fiduciary Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420; 202–632–8862. This is not a toll-free number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the provisions of Public Law 118–6, VA is required to increase, effective December 1, 2023, the benefit rates of DIC programs by the same percentage as