

2025” or other Chinese industrial programs.

In addressing each factor, the requester should provide support for their assertions. Requesters also may provide any other information or data that they consider relevant to an evaluation of the request.

D. Responses To Requests for Exclusions

After a request for exclusion of a particular product is posted on USTR’s online portal, interested persons will have 30 days to respond to the request, indicating support or opposition and providing reasons for their view. A response to a product exclusion request must be submitted using USTR’s online portal at <http://comments.USTR.gov>. Responses to exclusion requests, supporting or opposing, will be publicly available. To file a response, an interested party does not have to register. Responses may be in support of an exclusion request or in opposition. If the response is in support of the request, the rationale should be provided in the applicable field on the portal. If opposing the exclusion request, interested parties must address the following in a supplemental attachment available on USTR’s comment portal:

- Their relationship to the manufacturing equipment identified (manufacturer, industry association, other).
- Reasons for objecting to the exclusion request.
- Whether the manufacturing equipment is currently manufactured in the United States or third countries, and the substitutability of equipment from the United States or third country sources as compared to the Chinese-origin manufacturing equipment identified in the exclusion request.
- A description of the manufacturing equipment from the United States or third country sources relative to the description cited in the exclusion request.
- Whether the objecting organization within the last two years attempted to sell, or successfully sold, the manufacturing equipment described in the exclusion request, or comparable manufacturing equipment, to the organization requesting the exclusion.

E. Replies to Responses To Requests for Exclusions

After a response is posted on USTR’s online portal, the requester will have the opportunity to reply to the response using the same portal. Any reply must be submitted within the later of 15 days after the posting of a response, or 15 days after the closing of the 30-day

response period. A reply to a response must be submitted using USTR’s online portal at <http://comments.USTR.gov>. Replies to responses will be publicly available.

F. Submission Instructions

As noted above, interested persons must submit requests for exclusions in the period between the opening of the portal on October 15, 2024, and the March 31, 2025 submission deadline. Any responses to those requests must be submitted within 30 days after the requests are posted. Any reply to a response must be submitted within 15 days after the response is posted. Interested persons seeking to exclude two or more pieces of manufacturing equipment must submit a separate request for each product, *i.e.*, one product per request. By submitting an exclusion request, a response, or a reply, the submitter certifies that the information provided is complete and correct to the best of his or her knowledge.

You must submit written comments using the appropriate docket on the portal at <https://comments.ustr.gov/>. To submit written comments, use the docket on the portal entitled Temporary Exclusions for Machinery Used in Domestic Manufacturing, docket number USTR–2024–0020. To submit an exclusion request, requesters must first register on the portal at <http://comments.USTR.gov>. As noted above, the portal will open on October 15, 2024, at 12:01 a.m. EDT. After registration, the requester can fill out and submit one or more exclusion request forms. Fields on the exclusion request form marked with an asterisk (*) are required fields.

Fields with a gray Business Confidential Information (BCI) notation are for BCI that will not be made publicly available. Fields with a green (Public) notation will be viewable by the public. Additionally, parties will be able to upload documents and indicate whether the documents are BCI or public. Requesters will be able to review the public version of their submission before the submission is posted.

Clearly mark any page containing BCI as ‘BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL’ on the top of that page and clearly indicate, via brackets, highlighting, or other means, the specific information that is BCI. If you request business confidential treatment, you must certify in writing that the information would not customarily be released to the public.

Parties uploading attachments containing BCI also must submit a public version of their comments. If these procedures are not sufficient to

protect BCI or otherwise protect business interests, please contact the USTR Section 301 support line at 202.395.5725 to discuss whether alternative arrangements are possible. USTR will post attachments uploaded to the docket for public inspection, except for properly designated BCI. You can view submissions on USTR’s electronic portal at <https://comments.ustr.gov>.

G. Paperwork Reduction Act

In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) and its implementing regulations, USTR submitted a request to the Office of Management and Budget to reinstate an expired information collection request (ICR) titled 301 Exclusion Requests, control number 0350–0015, which is now due to expire on September 30, 2027.

Juan Millan,

Acting General Counsel, Office of the United States Trade Representative.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No. FAA–2024–1228]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) Application

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 to renew an information collection. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on April 26, 2024. The collection involves the FAA’s administration of the Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) program. The information to be collected will be used to authorize public agencies to impose PFCs and use PFC revenue on airport-related projects and to ensure compliance with PFC program requirements.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by November 18, 2024.

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.

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