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Burden Estimate and Frequency: The current total annual respondent burden estimate is 2,190 hours. The average burden hour per response is 5 minutes reporting. The frequency of recordkeeping will be occasionally.

Title: Plan Review for Facilities With Vapor Control Systems.

OMB No: 2115-0581.

Affected Entities: Owners/operators of vessels and facilities with vapor control systems.

Abstract: This information is used by the Coast Guard to ensure compliance with safety regulations. This allows the use of welding or other "hot-work" equipment on a designated waterfront facility.

Under Title 33 CFR 126.15(c), 33 CFR 127.617, 33 CFR 154.735(k)(1) and 49 CFR 176, Coast Guard has the authority to grant waterfront facilities and vessels permits to conduct Hot Works and welding activities.

The Coast Guard proposed use of this information is to ensure that waterfront facilities and vessels are in compliance with safety standards.

Burden Estimate and Frequency: The current total annual respondent burden estimate is 2,190 hours. The average burden hour per response is 5 minutes reporting. The frequency of recordkeeping will be occasionally.

Title: Ships' Stores Certification for Hazardous Materials Aboard Ships.

OMB No: 2115-0139.

Affected Entities: Suppliers and manufacturers of hazardous products used on ships.

Abstract: Ships' Stores Certification—Title 46, CFR, Part 147 requires proper identification and labeling of dangers presented by hazardous ships' stores. The regulation provides manufacturers the opportunity to request waivers for products in special DOT hazard classes to be used aboard ships.

Title 46 U.S.C. 3303 authorizes the Coast Guard to regulate the transportation, stowage and use of ships' stores and supplies of a dangerous nature.

Coast Guard will use this information to ensure personnel aboard vessels are made aware of the proper usage and stowage instructions to protect them from bodily injury.

Burden Estimate and Frequency: The current total annual respondent burden estimate is 6 hours. The average burden

hour per response is 3 hours reporting. The frequency of reporting will be occasionally.

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Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Cleveland County, NC

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice of intent to advise the public that an environmental impact statement (EIS) will be prepared for a proposed highway project in Cleveland County, North Carolina.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mr. Roy Shelton, Operations Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, 310 New Bern Avenue, Suite 410, Raleigh, North Carolina 27601, Telephone (919) 856-4350.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the North Carolina Department of Transportation, will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on a proposal to provide improved traffic flow along US 74 in the vicinity of Shelby. The proposed project would consist of construction of US 74 to a multi-lane freeway on new location or upgrading existing US 74. The proposed highway is considered necessary to handle existing and projected traffic demand; and to provide a more direct link with full control of access between Charlotte and Asheville than that currently available via I-85 and I-26.

Alternatives under consideration include: (1) taking no action (No Build); (2) improvement of existing route (Upgrade); and (3) Northern and Southern Build alternatives and five crossovers, which combine to form 24 possible project-wide alternatives.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments have been sent to the appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies and to private organizations who have previously expressed interest in this project. A series of public meetings have been held for this project: additional public meetings and a public hearing will also be held. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the meetings and hearing. The draft EIS will be made

available for public and agency review and comment.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to the proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments and questions concerning the proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research, Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal progress and activities apply to this program.)

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Roy C. Shelton,

Operations Engineer, Raleigh, North Carolina.

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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Petition for Exemption From the Federal Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Standard; Isuzu

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Grant of petition for exemption.

SUMMARY: This notice grants in full the petition of Isuzu Motors America, Inc., (Isuzu) for an exemption of a high-theft line, the Honda Acura SLX, from the parts-marking requirements of the Federal Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Standard. This petition is granted because the agency has determined that the antitheft device placed on the line as standard equipment is likely to be as effective in reducing and deterring motor vehicle theft as compliance with the parts-marking requirements of the Theft Prevention Standard.

DATES: The exemption granted by this notice is effective beginning with model year (MY) 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Rosalind Proctor, Office of Planning and Consumer Programs, NHTSA, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590. Ms. Proctor's telephone number is (202) 366-1740. Her fax number is (202) 493-2739.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In a letter dated February 12, 1996, Isuzu Motors America, Inc., (Isuzu), on behalf of Isuzu Motors Limited, Tokyo, Japan requested exemption from the parts-marking requirements of the Theft Prevention Standard (49 CFR Part 541) for the Isuzu Trooper and Honda Acura SLX vehicle