

several participants. Written comments from DTC participants or others have not been solicited or received on the proposed rule change.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Within thirty-five days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** or within such longer period (i) as the Commission may designate up to ninety days of such date if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which DTC consents, the Commission will:

(A) By order approve such proposed rule change or;

(B) Institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. § 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of DTC. All submissions should refer to the file number SR-DTC-97-05 and should be submitted by August 5, 1997.

For the Commission by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁵

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Administration of Plans for Achieving Self-Support (PASS); Public Forums

AGENCY: Social Security Administration (SSA).

ACTION: Notice.

PLACES AND TIMES OF PUBLIC FORUMS:

St. Paul, Minnesota, July 25, 1997, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.—State Office Building, House of Representatives, Hearing Room #10, 100 Constitution Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55111

Denver, Colorado, July 31, 1997, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, and 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.—Holiday Inn-Southeast, 3200 S. Parker Road, Aurora, CO 80014.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Type of Meeting: The forums are open to the public. Individuals/organizations wishing to present oral statements should register with the Social Security Administration (SSA) prior to the date of the forum.

Purpose: SSA is seeking information and suggestions from the public about its administration of Plans for Achieving Self-Support (PASS), a Supplemental Security Income (SSI) provision. SSI is a federal needs-based program. Under this program, PASS is intended to increase an individual's potential to be self-supporting. It encourages individuals who are blind or disabled to return to work by allowing certain income and resources to be excluded from consideration in SSI eligibility determinations and benefit computations. In so doing, the income and resources used for goods and services purchased in order to complete the PASS will not be considered as countable income and resources which could be used for food, clothing and shelter, and may allow the person to receive payments up to the monthly SSI federal benefit rate (plus any State supplementary payment). In order for the provision to apply, the PASS must be approved by SSA. The PASS must stipulate a specific occupational goal, and specify the income and resources to be excluded and how they would be used toward attaining the goal.

SSA is seeking information on areas of particular concern to the public, in order to improve the administration of PASS. While any information and all views about PASS are welcome, SSA is focusing on the following issues:

SSA is responsible for evaluating the feasibility of occupational goals under a PASS. *What standards should SSA use to determine if an occupational goal is feasible for a particular individual?*

SSA must also discern a link between the goods and services sought through a

PASS and the stated goal. *What elements should we expect to be present in a plan to demonstrate such a connection?*

What types of goods and services are appropriate for a PASS? What types of goods and services are inappropriate for a PASS? How should SSA evaluate whether the planned costs are reasonable?

PASS recipients must demonstrate progress under an approved PASS. *How should this progress be evaluated by SSA?*

In response to concerns about PASS outcomes, *how should SSA define success for the purposes of a PASS?*

Since SSA wants the use of PASS to promote movement towards financial independence, *how can SSA increase a person's opportunity for success, as you propose defining it?*

Agenda: The forums will begin with opening statements by representatives from the Social Security Administration providing a historical perspective of the PASS provision.

The remainder of the agenda will be devoted to the presentation of oral statements by members of the public. Statements will be limited to 5 minutes per speaker.

Persons wishing to provide oral testimony at the St. Paul forum should contact Helen Fitch of the SSA Regional Public Affairs Office in Chicago, Illinois to reserve time to speak. Telephone: (312) 575-4052, E-Mail: chi.rpa@ssa.gov, FAX: (312) 575-4051, TTY: (410) 965-0045 (Laura Vogt, Baltimore, MD).

Persons wishing to provide oral testimony at the Denver forum should contact Rita Salomon of the SSA Regional Public Affairs Office in Denver, Colorado to reserve time to speak. Telephone: (303) 844-4441, E-Mail: den.rpa@ssa.gov, FAX: (303) 844-3674, TTY: (410) 965-0045 (Laura Vogt, Baltimore, MD).

Persons who cannot attend the forums but wish to provide information or views for the Agency's consideration can send written statements to: Mail: Social Security Administration, PASS Testimony, P. O. Box 17746, Baltimore, MD 21235, E-Mail: pass.comments@ssa.gov, FAX: PASS Testimony, 410-966-5366.

SSA will allow unscheduled testimony from members of the public. However, depending on the number of individuals/organizations wishing to present statements, the time allotted for unscheduled testimony may be limited.

For further information about PASS, you may also contact Steve Fear at (410) 965-9824 or TTY (410) 965-0045.

⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

Dated: July 10, 1997.

Marilyn O'Connell,

Acting Associate Commissioner for Program Benefits Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for extension of a currently approved collection. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on April 30, 1997 [62 FR 23530].

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before (Insert 30 days from date of publication).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard Weaver, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202-366-2811.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Maritime Administration

Title: Records Retention Schedule.
Type of Request: Extension of currently approved information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0501.

Affected Public: U.S. Shipping Companies.

Abstract: Section 801, Merchant Marine Act, 1936 as amended (46 APP U.S.C 1211) requires retention of construction differential subsidy or operating differential subsidy records.

Need and Use of the Information: The information will be used to audit pertinent records at the conclusion of a contract when the contractor was receiving financial assistance from the government.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 750 hours.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW.,

Washington, DC 20503, Attention DOT Desk Officer. Comments are invited on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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Vanester M. Williams,

Clearance Officer, United States Department of Transportation.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Privacy Act of 1974; Notice To Amend a System of Records

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice to amend a system of records.

SUMMARY: The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration proposes to amend a system of records notice in its inventory of records subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 25, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Crystal M. Bush, Privacy Act Coordinator, U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: (202) 366-9713.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This amendment establishes a new routine use of the names, addresses, and other personal data in the system in order for NHTSA to make complaints about recall performance available to applicable automobile and automobile part manufacturers in order to allow them to rectify owner complaints and problems.

Dated: July 2, 1997.

Crystal M. Bush,

Privacy Act Coordinator.

DOT/NHTSA 415

SYSTEM NAME:

Office of Defects Investigation/Defects Information Management System (ODI/DIMS).

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

Sensitive.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Office of Defects Investigation (ODI), 400 7th Street, SW., Room 5326, Washington, DC 20590.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Vehicle owners.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Vehicle identification, vehicle problem, vehicle owner.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

49 U.S.C. 30116.

PURPOSE(S):

The agency is authorized to ensure that manufacturers recall and repair or replace defective or noncompliant motor vehicles or items of motor vehicle equipment and to ensure that they do so in an effective manner. In order to determine whether recalls are necessary and whether the recalls are conducted in accordance with agency requirements, safety-related information from motor vehicle and motor vehicle equipment owners are collected and analyzed to identify problems and trends.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

To permit the Office of Defects Investigation to review complaints about defects in motor vehicles and items of motor vehicle equipment in order to identify trends that could result in defect investigations; to make complaints about recall performance available to applicable manufacturers in order to allow them to rectify owner complaints and problems; and to identify those uncorrected recall performance problems which require investigation into the adequacy of the notification or remedy in accordance with agency regulations.

See Prefatory Statement of General Routine Uses.

DISCLOSURE TO CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCIES:

None.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Disc pack and paper file.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Identification number for each vehicle owner.