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Dated: November 28, 1997.

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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 approval. 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 in 62 FR 43416, August 13, 1997.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before January 9, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sylvia Barney, (202) 366-6680 and refer to the OMB Control Number.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Federal Transit Administration (FTA)**

*Title:* 49 U.S.C Section 5310-Capital Assistance Program for Elderly Persons and Persons with Disabilities and Section 5311-Nonurbanized Area Formula Program.

*Type of Request:* Reinstatement, without change, of a previous approved collection for which approval has expired.

*OMB Control Number:* 2132-0500.

*Form(s):* N/A.

*Affected Public:* State and local government, business or other for-profit institutions, non-profit institutions, and small business organizations.

*Abstract:* The Capital Assistance Program for Elderly Persons and Persons with Disabilities provides financial assistance for the specialized transportation service needs of elderly

persons and persons with disabilities. The program is administered by the States and may be used in all areas, urbanized, small urban, and rural. The Nonurbanized Area Formula Program provides financial assistance for the provision of public transportation services in nonurbanized areas and this program is also administered by the States. 49 U.S.C. Sections 5310 and 5311 authorize FTA to review applications for federal financial assistance to determine eligibility and compliance with statutory and administrative requirements. Information collected during the application stage includes the project budget, which identifies funds requested for project implementation; a program of projects, which identifies subrecipients to be funded, the amount of funding that each will receive, and a description of the projects to be funded; the project implementation plan; the State management plan; a list of annual certifications and assurances; and public hearings notice, certification and transcript. The applications must contain sufficient information to enable FTA to make the findings required by law to enforce the program requirements. Information collected during the project management stage includes an annual financial status report, an annual program status report, and pre-award and post-delivery audits. The annual financial report and program status report provide a basis for monitoring approved projects to ensure timely and appropriate expenditure of federal funds by grant recipients.

*Estimated Annual Burden Hours:* 11,370.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention FTA 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,**

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**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received on or before January 9, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jack Schmidt, Office of Aviation and International Economics, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh St. SW, Washington, DC 20590 at (202) 366-5420 or (202) 366-7638 (FAX).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Office of the Secretary**

*Title:* Information Collection of Data on Passenger Travel by Air.

*OMB Control Number:* 2105-0535.

*Affected Public:* All U.S. airlines providing scheduled passenger service and all computer reservations systems (CRSs) operating in the United States.

*Abstract:* The requested extension of the information collection contained in approved control number 2105-0535 covers the data necessary to complete the Study of Rural Air Fares that was required by the Federal Aviation Administration Reauthorization Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-264). This study, among other things, was to analyze air fares paid between small communities and large hub airports with fares between large hub airports.