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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 Requests (ICRs) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The ICRs describes the nature of the information collection and their expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on March 23, 1998 [63 FR, 13903-13904].

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before July 6, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara Davis, U.S. Coast Guard, Office of Information Management, telephone (202) 267-2326.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

United States Coast Guard (USCG)

(1) *Title:* Alternate Compliance—International/Inland Navigation Rules.

OMB Control Number: 2115-0073.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Vessel owners, operators, builders and agents.

Abstract: The information collected provides an opportunity for those with unique vessels to present their reasons why the vessel cannot comply with existing regulations and how alternate compliance can be achieved.

Need: Certain vessels cannot comply with the International Regulations (33 U.S.C. 1601) and Inland Navigation Rules (33 U.S.C. 2001). The Coast Guard thus provides an opportunity for alternate compliance. However, it is not possible to determine whether alternate compliance is appropriate or what kind of alternative procedures might be necessary without this collection.

Burden Estimate: The estimated burden is 135 hours annually.

(2) *Title:* Inflatable Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) for Recreational Vessels.

OMB Control Number: 2115-0619.

Affected Public: PFD manufacturers.

Abstract: The information collected concerns the labeling and preparation of

manuals for inflatable PFDs. In keeping with this requirement the Coast Guard has established a system for approval of PFDs for use on such vessels? To facilitate the approval and inspection process, the Coast Guard requires that manufacturers label their devices and publish users manuals to help the end user.

Need: Title 46 U.S.C. 4302(a) prescribes regulations to: (a) establish minimum safety standards for recreational vessels, (b) require the installation and carrying or use of associated equipment and require or permit the display of seals, labels, plates, insignia or other devices for certifying or evidencing compliance with safety regulations. The labels are important for a number of reasons. First, they are essential to the user; they indicate the chest size of the PFD and also display printed and pictographic instructions for proper use and care of the PFD. Secondly, because they include a specific product number and the manufacturer's name they are central to the Coast Guard's mission of identifying faulty equipment and then notifying the responsible producer. The manuals also serve a dual purpose. On the one hand they give the user information they will need to properly use and maintain the device, and on the other they keep the Coast Guard informed as to the specifications and design of new PFDs.

Burden Estimate: The estimated burden is 503.33 hours annually.

Addressee: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention USCG Desk Officer.

Comments are invited on: the need for the proposed collection of information for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; 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 those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques.

A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives the comment within 30 days of publication.

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Clearance Officer, United States, Department of Transportation.

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ACTION: Notice.

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DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before July 6, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Robinson, NHTSA Information Collection Clearance Officer at (202) 366-9456.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

Title: Consolidated Labeling Requirements for 49 CFR 571.115, and Parts 565, 541 and 567.

OMB Control Number: 2127-0510.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Abstract: NHTSA's statute at 15 U.S.C. 1392, 1397, 1401, 1407, and 1412 (Attachment 3-9) of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966 authorizes the issuance of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) and the collection of data which support their implementation. The agency, in prescribing a FMVSS, is to consider available relevant motor vehicle safety data and to consult with other agencies as it deems appropriate. Further, the Act mandates, that in issuing any FMVSS, the agency should consider whether the standard is reasonable, practicable and