

Budget, 725-17th Street, NW.
Washington, DC 20503, Attention BTS
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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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Bureau of Transportation Statistics

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

AGENCY: Bureau of Transportation Statistics, 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 currently approved collections. 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 June 10, 1999 (64 FR 31345).

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 26, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bernie Stankus, (202) 366-4387.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS)

Title: Submission of Audit Reports, Part 248.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved Collection.

OMB Control Number: 2138-0004.

Form(s): None.

Affected Public: Certificated Air Carriers.

Abstract: BTS collects independent audited financial reports from U.S. certificated air carriers. Carriers not having an annual audit must file a statement that no such audit has been performed. In lieu of the audit report, the Department will accept the annual report submitted to the stockholders. The audited reports are needed by DOT as (a) a means to monitor an air carrier's continuing fitness to operate, (b) reference material used by analysts in examining foreign route cases, (c) reference material used by analysts in examining proposed acquisitions, mergers, and consolidations, (d) a means whereby the Department sends a copy of the report to International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) in fulfillment of a U.S. treaty obligation, and (e) corroboration of carriers' Form 41 filings.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 21 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 BTS Desk Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Departmental Offices; Proposed Collections; Comment Requests

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on two information collections that are due for

renewed approval by the Office of Management and Budget. The Office of Program Services within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning Treasury International Capital Form BL-2/BL-2(SA), Custody Liabilities of Reporting Banks, Brokers and Dealers to Foreigners, Denominated in Dollars; and Treasury International Capital Form BQ-2, Part 1: Liabilities to, and Claims on, Foreigners of Reporting Bank, Broker or Dealer, and Part 2: Domestic Customers' Claims on Foreigners Held by Reporting Bank, Broker or Dealer, Denominated in Foreign Currencies.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before December 27, 1999 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Dwight Wolkow, Administrator, International Portfolio Investment Data Systems, Department of the Treasury, Room 5205 MT, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington DC 20220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the forms and instructions should be directed to Dwight Wolkow, Administrator, International Portfolio Investment Data Systems, Department of the Treasury, Room 5205 MT, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington DC 20220, (202) 622-1276, Fax (202) 622-7448.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Titles: Treasury International Capital Form BL-2/BL-2(SA), Custody Liabilities of Reporting Banks, Brokers and Dealers to Foreigners, Denominated in Dollars; and Treasury International Capital Form BQ-2, Part 1: Liabilities to, and Claims on, Foreigners of Reporting Bank, Broker or Dealer, and Part 2: Domestic Customers' Claims on Foreigners Held by Reporting Bank, Broker or Dealer, Denominated in Foreign Currencies.

OMB Numbers: 1505-0018 and 1505-0020.

Abstracts: Forms BL-2/BL-2(SA) and BQ-2 are required by law (22 U.S.C. 286f; 22 U.S.C. 3103; EO 10033; 31 CFR 128) and are designed to collect timely information on international portfolio capital movements. Form BL-2 is a monthly report (with a semiannual supplement) that covers the U.S. dollar custody liabilities of banks, other depository institutions, brokers and dealers, *vis-à-vis* foreign residents. Form BQ-2 is a quarterly report that covers the liabilities to and claims on foreigners of banks, brokers and dealers, and the custody claims on foreigners of banks, brokers and dealers, that are denominated in foreign currencies. This information is necessary for compiling