

*Name of Committee:* National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Special Emphasis Panel K08 Grant Reviews.

*Date:* March 30, 2000.

*Time:* 3 pm to 4 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* NIEHS—East Campus, Building 4401, Conference Room 122, 79 Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Linda K. Bass, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, NIEHS, PO Box 12233 EC-30, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, (919) 541-1307.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.113, Biological Response to Environmental Health Hazards; 93.114, Applied Toxicological Research and Testing; 93.115, Biometry and Risk Estimation—Health Risks from Environmental Exposures; 93.142, NIEHS Hazardous Waste Worker Health and Safety Training; 93.143, NIEHS Superfund Hazardous Substances—Basic Research and Education; 93.894, Resources and Manpower Development in the Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: March 6, 2000.

**LaVerne Y. Stringfield,**

*Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System or Relief From the Requirements of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations Part 236

Pursuant to Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 235 and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), the following railroads have petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval for the discontinuance or modification of the signal system or relief from the requirements of 49 CFR Part 236 as detailed below.

Docket No. FRA-2000-6812.

Applicant: Union Pacific Railroad Company, Mr. Phil Abaray, Chief Engineer—Signals, 1416 Dodge Street, Room 1000, Omaha, Nebraska 68179-1000.

The Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) seeks relief from the requirements of the Rules, Standard and Instructions, 49 CFR, Part 236, § 236.110, to the extent that each test record, need not be signed by the person making the test, in lieu of implementing an electronic

record system (“STARS”) to record and maintain signal records of tests. The “STARS” electronic record system will provide integrity and several levels of security to uniquely identify a person as the author of a specific record, and once the test record is entered, verified, and saved it cannot be modified. Initially, “STARS” will not be inclusive of all Part 236 records of tests, and future development may result in the addition of subsequent test records. This petition is associated with UP’s request to utilize the “STARS” electronic record system for recording and maintaining applicable inspection and test records as defined in 49 CFR, Part 234, subject to approval by the Associate Administrator for Safety, as required by Section 234.273.

Applicant’s justification for relief: To provide more flexibility for Federal and State Inspectors who are required to check and inspect records of tests over the UP system.

Any interested party desiring to protest the granting of an application shall set forth specifically the grounds upon which the protest is made, and contain a concise statement of the interest of the Protester in the proceeding. Additionally, one copy of the protest shall be furnished to the applicant at the address listed above.

All communications concerning this proceeding should be identified by the docket number and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PI-401, Washington, D.C. 20590-0001. Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by the FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.) at DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PI-401 (Plaza Level), 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590-0001. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the internet at the docket facility’s Web site at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FRA expects to be able to determine these matters without an oral hearing. However, if a specific request for an oral hearing is accompanied by a showing that the party is unable to adequately present his or her position by written statements, an application may be set for public hearing.

Issued in Washington, D.C. on March 8, 2000.

**Grady C. Cothen, Jr.,**

*Deputy Associate Administrator for Safety Standards and Program Development.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

#### Reports, Forms and Record Keeping Requirements—Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 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 review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collections and their expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period was published on October 27, 1999 [64 FR 57924-57925].

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before April 12, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sharon Vaughn at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Office of Chief Counsel (NCC-30), 202-366-1834, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Room 5219, Washington, DC 20590.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

*Title:* Designation of Agent.

*OMB Number:* 2127-0040.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* This collection of information applies to motor vehicle and motor vehicle equipment manufacturers located outside of the United States (foreign manufacturers). Every manufacturer offering a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment for importation into the United States is statutorily required to designate in writing an agent upon whom service of all administrative and judicial processes, notices, orders, decisions and requirements may be made for and on behalf of the manufacturer.

*Affected Public:* Foreign manufacturers of motor vehicles and motor vehicle equipment located