

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 March 20, 2000 (64 FR 15034-15035).

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 1, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph Scott at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Office of Safety Performance Standards (NPS-22), 202-366-8525, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Room 5307, Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Title: Tire Identification and Record keeping.

OMB Number: 2127-0050.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Each tire manufacturer must collect and maintain records of the names and address of the first purchasers of new tires. All tire dealers and distributors must record the names and addresses of retail purchasers of new tires and identification number(s) of the tires sold. A specific form is provided to tire dealers and distributors by tire manufacturers for recording this information. The completed forms returned to the tire manufacturers where they are to remain for three years after the date received by the manufacturer. Additionally, motor vehicle manufacturers are required to record the names and addresses of the first purchasers of new motor vehicles, together with the identification numbers of the tires on the new vehicles.

Affected Public: Businesses and other-for-profit institutions (tire manufacturers, dealers, and distributors).

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 245,000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments, within 30 days, to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention NHTSA 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 Departments 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.

A Comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

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Associate Administrator for Administration.

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