

cars are eligible for importation into the United States. The vehicles which G&K believes are substantially similar are 1995–2000 Mazda Millenia passenger cars that were manufactured for importation into, and sale in, the United States and certified by their manufacturer as conforming to all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

The petitioner claims that it carefully compared 1995–2000 Mazda Xedos 9 passenger cars to 1995–2000 Mazda Millenia passenger cars, and found the vehicles to be substantially similar with respect to compliance with most Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

G&K submitted information with its petition intended to demonstrate that 1995–2000 Mazda Xedos 9 passenger cars, as originally manufactured, conform to many Federal motor vehicle safety standards in the same manner as 1995–2000 Mazda Millenia passenger cars, or are capable of being readily altered to conform to those standards.

Specifically, the petitioner claims that 1995–2000 Mazda Xedos 9 passenger cars are identical to 1995–2000 Mazda Millenia passenger cars with respect to compliance with Standard Nos. 102 *Transmission Shift Lever Sequence*, * * * 103 *Defrosting and Defogging Systems*, 104 *Windshield Wiping and Washing Systems*, 105 *Hydraulic Brake Systems*, 106 *Brake Hoses*, 109 *New Pneumatic Tires*, 113 *Hood Latch Systems*, 116 *Brake Fluid*, 118 *Power Window Systems*, 124 *Accelerator Control Systems*, 201 *Occupant Protection in Interior Impact* (petitioner states that the Millenia has not been certified by its manufacturer as conforming to the standard's upper interior head impact requirements), 202 *Head Restraints*, 203 *Impact Protection for the Driver from the Steering Control System*, 204 *Steering Control Rearward Displacement*, 205 *Glazing Materials*, 206 *Door Locks and Door Retention Components*, 207 *Seating Systems*, 209 *Seat Belt Assemblies*, 210 *Seat Belt Assembly Anchorages*, 212 *Windshield Retention*, 214 *Side Impact Protection*, 216 *Roof Crush Resistance*, 219 *Windshield Zone Intrusion*, 301 *Fuel System Integrity*, and 302 *Flammability of Interior Materials*.

Additionally, the petitioner states that 1995–2000 Mazda Xedos 9 passenger cars comply with the Bumper Standard found in 49 CFR Part 581.

Petitioner also contends that the vehicles are capable of being readily altered to meet the following standards, in the manner indicated:

Standard No. 101 *Controls and Displays*: (a) installation of a seat belt warning lamp that displays the required

seat belt symbol; (b) recalibration of the speedometer/odometer from kilometers to miles per hour; (c) replacement of the entire instrument cluster on most vehicles with an instrument cluster that displays the appropriate brake and other warning insignia in English.

Standard No. 108 *Lamps, Reflective Devices and Associated Equipment*: installation of U.S.-model headlamp assemblies and front sidemarkers.

Standard No. 110 *Tire Selection and Rims*: (a) inspection of all vehicles and replacement of any tires that do not bear DOT markings or are not of the same size and shape as those on U.S.-certified models; (b) installation of a tire information placard.

Standard No. 111 *Rearview Mirror*: inspection of all vehicles and replacement of any passenger side rearview mirrors that do not bear the required warning statement.

Standard No. 114 *Theft Protection*: installation of a warning buzzer microswitch in the steering lock assembly and a warning buzzer.

Standard No. 208 *Occupant Crash Protection*: (a) installation of a seat belt warning buzzer; (b) inspection of all vehicles and replacement of any driver's and passenger's side air bags and knee bolsters with part numbers that differ from those installed on U.S. certified models. The petitioner states that the vehicles are equipped with Type 2 seat belts in the front and rear outboard designated seating positions, and with a Type 1 seat belt in the rear center designated seating position.

The petitioner states that the vehicles are equipped with anti-theft devices which exempt them from the parts marking requirements of the Theft Prevention Standard at 49 CFR Part 541. The petitioner states that all vehicles will be inspected prior to importation, and that all anti-theft devices with part numbers that differ from those on U.S. certified models will be replaced.

The petitioner also states that a VIN plate must be affixed to the vehicle so that it can be read from the left windshield pillar, and a VIN reference label must be affixed to the edge of the door or to the latch post nearest the driver, to meet the requirements of 49 CFR Part 565.

Interested persons are invited to submit comments on the petition described above. Comments should refer to the docket number and be submitted to: Docket Management, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh St., SW, Washington, DC 20590. It is requested but not required that 10 copies be submitted.

All comments received before the close of business on the closing date indicated above will be considered, and

will be available for examination in the docket at the above address both before and after that date. To the extent possible, comments filed after the closing date will also be considered. Notice of final action on the petition will be published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to the authority indicated below.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(A) and (b)(1); 49 CFR 593.8; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8.

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Marilynne Jacobs,

Director, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Thrift Supervision

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Today, the Office of Thrift Supervision within the Department of the Treasury solicits comments on the Capital Distributions package.

DATES: Submit written comments on or before October 16, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Manager, Dissemination Branch, Information Management and Services Division, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, Attention 1550-0059. Hand deliver comments to the Guard's Desk, East Lobby Entrance, 1700 G Street, NW., from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on business days. Send facsimile transmissions to FAX Number (202) 906-7755, or (202) 906-6956 (if comments are over 25 pages). Send e-mails to "public.info@ots.treas.gov", and include your name and telephone number. Interested persons may inspect comments at the Public Reference Room, 1700 G St. N.W., from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. OTS will post comments on the OTS Internet Site at <<http://www.OTS.treas.gov/>>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nadine Washington, Supervision, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20552, (202) 906-6706.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Title:* Capital Distributions.

OMB Number: 1550-0059.

Form Number: OTS Form 1583.

Abstract: This package provides uniform treatment for capital distributions made by savings associations held by holding companies. It ensures adequate supervision of distribution of capital by those savings associations, thereby fostering safety and soundness of the thrift industry.

Current Actions: OTS proposes to renew this information collection without revision.

Type of Review: Renewal.

Affected Public: Business or For Profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 747.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 4 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,988 hours.

Request for Comments: The OTS will summarize comments submitted in response to this notice or will include these comments in its request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. The OTS invites comment on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality; (d) 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; and (e) estimates of capital or starting costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

John E. Werner,

Director, Information & Management Services Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Computer Matching Program Between the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice of computer matching program.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) intends to conduct a recurring computer matching program. This will match personnel records of the Department of Defense (DOD) with VA records of benefit recipients under the Montgomery GI Bill.

The goal of these matches is to identify the eligibility status of veterans, servicemembers, and reservists who have applied for or who are receiving education benefit payments under the Montgomery GI Bill. The purpose of the match is to enable VA to verify that individuals meet the conditions of military service and eligibility criteria for payment of benefits determined by VA under the Montgomery GI Bill—Active Duty (MGIB) and the Montgomery GI Bill—Selected Reserve (MGIB-09SR).

DATES: This match will commence on or about September 14, 2000. At the expiration of 18 months after the commencing date the departments may renew the agreement for another 12 months.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jerry Weeks (224), Acting Assistant Director for Procedures and Systems, Education Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-7181.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Further information regarding the matching program is provided below. This information is required by paragraph 6c of the "Guidelines on the Conduct of Matching Programs" issued by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) (54 FR 25818), as amended by OMB Circular A-130, 61 FR 6435 (1996). A copy of this has been provided to both Houses of Congress and the Office of Management and Budget. The

matching program is subject to their review.

a. *Names of participating agencies:* Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs.

b. *Purpose of the match:* The purpose of the match is to enable VA to determine whether an applicant is eligible for payment of benefits under the MGIB or the MGIB-SR and to verify continued compliance with the requirements of both programs.

c. *Authority:* The authority to conduct this match is found in 38 U.S.C. 3684A(a)(1).

d. *Categories of records and individuals covered:* The records covered include eligibility records extracted from DOD personnel files and benefit records that VA establishes for all individuals who have applied for and/or are receiving, or have received education benefit payments under the Montgomery GI Bill. These benefit records are contained in a VA system of records identified as 58VA21/22 entitled: Compensation, Pension, Education and Rehabilitation Records—VA, first published in the **Federal Register** at 41 FR 924 (March 3, 1976), and last amended at 63 FR 37941 (July 14, 1998), with other amendments as cited therein.

e. *Inclusive dates of the matching program:* The match will begin on September 14, 2000 or 40 days after the OMB review period, whichever is later and continue in effect for 18 months.

f. *Address for receipt of public inquiries or comments:* Interested individuals may submit written comments to the Director, Office of Regulations Management (02D), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Room 1154, Washington, DC 20420. Comments will be available for public inspection at the above address in the Office of Regulations Management, Room 1158, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Approved: August 2, 2000.

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Acting Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

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