

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Highway Administration****Environmental Impact Statement:  
Washington County, UT**

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement will be prepared for a proposed highway project in Washington County, Utah.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Sandra Garcia, Highway Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, 2520 West 4700 South, Suite 9A, Salt Lake City, Utah 84118-1847, Telephone (801) 963-0182.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA, in cooperation with the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on a proposal to construct a new interchange on I-15 at milepost 13 in Washington City, Utah.

The construction of a new interchange is considered necessary to provide access to I-15, which will accommodate the projected traffic demand and development planned for the area. Alternatives under consideration include (1) taking no action; (2) Transportation System Management (TSM), activities which maximize the efficiency of the present system; (3) constructing a new interchange on I-15 at milepost 13.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, and to private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have interest in this proposal. A public scoping meeting and a public hearing will be held. Notice will be given of the time and place of the meetings and hearing. The draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research, Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

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**William R. Gedris,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Transit Administration**

[FTA Docket No. FTA-2001-1037]

**Notice of Request for the Extension of  
a Currently Approved Information  
Collection**

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to extend the following currently approved information collection: Charter Service Operations.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted before October 15, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** All written comments must refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document and be submitted to the United States Department of Transportation, Central Dockets Office, PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590. All comments received will be available for examination at the above address from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Those desiring notification of receipt of comments must include a self-addressed, stamped postcard/envelope.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Elizabeth Martineau, Office of the Chief Counsel, (202) 366-1936.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Interested parties are invited to send comments regarding any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) The necessity and utility of the information collection for the proper performance of the functions of the FTA; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways to minimize the collection burden without reducing the quality of the collected information. Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection.

*Title:* Charter Service Operations (OMB Number: 2132-0543)

*Background:* 49 U.S.C. Section 5323(d) requires all applicants for

financial assistance from FTA to enter into a charter bus agreement with the Secretary of Transportation (delegated to the Administrator of FTA in 49 CFR Section 1.51(a)). 49 U.S.C. Section 5323(d) provides protections for private intercity charter bus operators from unfair competition by FTA recipients. 49 U.S.C. Section 5302(a)(7) as interpreted by the Comptroller General permits FTA recipients, but does not state that recipients have a right, to provide charter bus service with FTA-funded facilities and equipment only if it is incidental to the provision of mass transportation service. These statutory requirements have been implemented in FTA's charter regulation, 49 CFR Section 604.

49 CFR Section 604.7 requires all applicants for financial assistance under 49 U.S.C. Sections 5309, 5336, or 5311 to include two copies of a charter bus agreement with the first grant application submitted after the effective date of the rule. The applicant signs the agreement, but FTA executes it only upon approval of the application. This is a one-time submission with incorporation by reference in subsequent grant applications. 49 CFR Section 604.11(b) requires recipients to provide notice to all private charter operators and allows them to submit written evidence demonstrating that they are willing and able to provide the charter service the recipient is proposing to provide. The notice must be published in a newspaper and sent to any private operator requesting notice and to the United Bus Owners of America and the American Bus Association, the two trade associations to which most private charter operators belong. To continue receiving federal financial assistance, recipients must publish this notice annually. 49 CFR Section 604.13(b) requires recipients to review the evidence submitted and notify the submitter of its decision. This notice is also an annual requirement. On December 30, 1988, FTA issued an amendment to the Charter Service regulation that allows additional exceptions for certain non-profit social service groups that meet eligibility requirements.

*Respondents:* State and local government, business or other for-profit institutions, and non-profit institutions.

*Estimated Annual Burden on Respondents:* 1.2 hours for each of the 1,656 respondents.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 1,984 hours.

*Frequency:* Annual.

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**Dorrie Y. Aldrich,**

*Associate Administrator for Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Research and Special Programs Administration

[Docket No. RSPA-2001-8761 (Notice No. 01-08)]

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

**AGENCY:** Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**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 have been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comments. The ICRs describe the nature of the information collections and their expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice, with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collections of information, was published on June 7, 2001, [30786-30787].

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before September 14, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Deborah Boothe, Office of Hazardous Materials Standards (DHM-10), Research and Special Programs Administration, Room 8422, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001, Telephone (202) 366-8553.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Testing, Inspection and Marking Requirements for Cylinders.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137-0022.

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

*Abstract:* Requirements in 49 CFR 173.34 for qualification, maintenance and use of cylinders require that cylinders be periodically inspected and retested to ensure continuing compliance with packaging standards. Information collection requirements address registration of retesters and marking of cylinders by retesters with their identification number and retest date following conduct of tests. Records showing the results of inspections and retests must be kept by the cylinder owner or designated agent until expiration of the retest period or until

the cylinder is reinspected or retested, whichever occurs first. These requirements are intended to ensure that retesters have the qualifications to perform tests and to identify to cylinder fillers and users that cylinders are qualified for continuing use.

Information collection requirements in § 173.303 require that fillers of acetylene cylinders keep, for at least 30 days, a daily record of the representative pressure to which cylinders are filled.

*Affected Public:* Fillers, owners, users and retesters of reusable cylinders.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 139,352.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 153,287.

*Annual Estimated Burden Hours:* 168,431.

*Frequency of Collection:* On occasion.

*Title:* Hazardous Materials Incident Reports.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137-0039.

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

*Abstract:* This collection is applicable upon occurrence of incidents as prescribed in 49 CFR 171.15 and 171.16. Basically, a Hazardous Materials Incident Report, DOT Form F5800.1, must be completed by a carrier of hazardous materials when a hazardous material transportation incident occurs, such as a release of materials, serious accident, evacuation or highway shutdown. Serious incidents meeting criteria in § 171.15 also require a telephonic report by the carrier. This information collection enhances the Department's ability to evaluate the effectiveness of its regulatory program, determine the need for regulatory changes, and address emerging hazardous materials transportation safety issues. The requirements apply to all interstate and intrastate carriers engaged in the transportation of hazardous materials by rail, air, water, and highway.

*Affected Public:* Carriers of hazardous materials.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 825.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 20,600.

*Annual Estimated Burden Hours:* 30,942.

*Frequency of Collection:* On occasion.

*Title:* Flammable Cryogenic Liquids.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137-0542.

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

*Abstract:* Provisions in 49 CFR 177.818 require the carriage on a motor vehicle of written procedures for venting flammable cryogenic liquids and for responding to emergencies. 49 CFR 177.840 (h) specifies certain safety

procedures and documentation requirements for drivers of these motor vehicles. These requirements are intended to ensure a high level of safety when transporting flammable cryogenics due to their extreme flammability and high compression ratio when in a liquid state.

*Affected Public:* Carriers of cryogenic materials.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 65.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 18,200.

*Annual Estimated Burden Hours:* 1,213.

*Frequency of Collection:* On occasion.

*Title:* Testing Requirements for Non-bulk Packaging.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137-0572.

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

*Abstract:* Detailed packaging manufacturing specifications have been replaced by a series of performance tests that a non-bulk packaging must be capable of passing before it is authorized to be used for transporting hazardous materials. The Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR), 49 CFR parts 171-180 require proof that packagings meet these testing requirements.

Manufacturers must retain records of design qualification tests and periodic retests. Manufacturers must notify, in writing, persons to whom packagings are transferred of any specification requirements that have not been met at the time of transfer. Subsequent distributors, as well as manufacturers must provide written notification. Performance-oriented packaging standards allow manufacturers and shippers much greater flexibility in selecting more economical packagings.

*Affected Public:* Each non-bulk packaging manufacturer that tests packagings to ensure compliance with the HMR.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 5,000.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 15,000.

*Annual Estimated Burden Hours:* 30,000.

*Frequency of Collection:* On occasion.

*Title:* Container Certification Statement.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137-0582.

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

*Abstract:* Shippers of explosives, in freight containers or transport vehicles by vessel, are required to certify on shipping documentation that the freight container or transport vehicle meets minimal structural serviceability requirements. This requirement is