

ACTION: Notice of Pilot Program extension.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the extension of SBA's Export Express Pilot Program until November 30, 2005. This extension will allow time for SBA to complete its decision making regarding potential modifications and enhancements to the Program.

DATES: The Export Express Pilot Program is extended under this notice until November 30, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charles Thomas, Office of Financial Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 Third Street, Washington, DC 20416; Telephone (202) 205-6490; *charles.thomas@sba.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Export Express Pilot Program was established as a subprogram of the Agency's SBAExpress Pilot Program. It was established in 1998 to assist current and prospective small exporters, particularly those needing revolving lines of credit. Export Express generally conforms to the streamlined procedures of SBAExpress and carries SBA's full 75-85 percent guaranty. The maximum loan amount under this Program is limited to \$250,000. The extension of this Program until November 30, 2005, will allow the SBA to more fully evaluate the results and impact of the Program and to consider possible changes and enhancements to the Program. It will also allow SBA to further consult with its lending partners and the small business community about the Program.

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Associate Deputy Administrator.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Identification of Countries Under Section 182 of the Trade Act of 1974: Request for Public Comment

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative

ACTION: Request for written submissions from the public.

SUMMARY: Section 182 of the Trade Act of 1974 (Trade Act) (19 U.S.C. 2242), requires the United States Trade Representative (USTR) to identify countries that deny adequate and effective protection of intellectual property rights or deny fair and equitable market access to U.S. persons

who rely on intellectual property protection. Section 182 is commonly referred to as the "Special 301" provision of the Trade Act. In addition, USTR is required to determine which of those countries should be identified as Priority Foreign Countries. On April 30, 2005, USTR announced the results of the 2005 Special 301 review and stated that Out-of-Cycle Reviews (OCRs) would be conducted for Russia, Canada, Indonesia and the Philippines. USTR will conduct these OCRs in early 2006. USTR requests written comments from the public concerning the acts, policies, and practices relevant for this review under Section 182 of the Trade Act.

DATES: Submissions must be received on or before 5 p.m. on Friday, December 2, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Sybia Harrison, Special Assistant to the Section 301 Committee, and sent (i) electronically, to *FR0528@ustr.gov*, with "Special 301 Out-of-Cycle Review: Russia, Canada, Indonesia and the Philippines" in the subject line, or (ii) by fax, to (202) 395-9458, with a confirmation copy sent electronically to the e-mail address above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Choe Groves, Director for Intellectual Property and Chair of the Special 301 Committee, Office of the United States Trade Representative, (202) 395-4510.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 182 of the Trade Act, USTR must identify those countries that deny adequate and effective protection for intellectual property rights or deny fair and equitable market access to U.S. persons who rely on intellectual property protection. Those countries that have the most onerous or egregious acts, policies, or practices and whose acts, policies, or practices have the greatest adverse impact (actual or potential) on relevant U.S. products may be identified as Priority Foreign Countries. Acts, policies, or practices that are the basis of a country's designation as a Priority Foreign Country are normally the subject of an investigation under the Section 301 provisions of the Trade Act.

On April 30, 2005, USTR announced the results of the 2005 Special 301 review, including an announcement that Out-of-Cycle Reviews (OCRs) would be conducted for Russia, Canada, Indonesia and the Philippines. Additional countries may also be reviewed as a result of the comments received pursuant to this notice, or as warranted by events.

Requirements for Comments

Comments should include a description of the problems experienced, and the effect of the acts, policies, and practices on U.S. industry. Comments should be as detailed as possible and should provide all necessary information for assessing the effect of the acts, policies, and practices. Any comments that include quantitative loss claims should be accompanied by the methodology used in calculating such estimated losses.

Comments must be in English. No submissions will be accepted via postal service mail. Documents should be submitted as either WordPerfect, MS Word, or text (.TXT) files. Supporting documentation submitted as spreadsheets are acceptable as Quattro Pro or Excel files. A submitter requesting that information contained in a comment be treated as confidential business information must certify that such information is business confidential and would not customarily be released to the public by the submitter. A non-confidential version of the comment must also be provided. For any document containing business confidential information, the file name of the business confidential version should begin with the characters "BC-", and the file name of the public version should begin with the character "P-". The "P-" or "BC-" should be followed by the name of the submitter. Submissions should not include separate cover letters; information that might appear in a cover letter should be included in the submission itself. To the extent possible, any attachments to the submission should be included in the same file as the submission itself, and not as separate files.

All comments should be addressed to Sybia Harrison, Special Assistant to the Section 301 Committee, and sent (i) electronically, to *FR0528@ustr.gov*, with "Special 301 Out-of-Cycle Review: Russia, Canada, Indonesia and the Philippines" in the subject line, or (ii) by fax, to (202) 395-9458, with a confirmation copy sent electronically to the e-mail address above.

Public Inspection of Submissions

Within one business day of receipt, non-confidential submissions will be placed in a public file open for inspection at the USTR reading room, Office of the United States Trade Representative, Annex Building, 1724 F Street, NW., Room 1, Washington, DC. An appointment to review the file must be scheduled at least 48 hours in advance and may be made by calling Jacqueline Caldwell at (202) 395-6186.

The USTR reading room is open to the public from 10 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Jennifer Choe Groves,

Director for Intellectual Property and Chair of the Special 301 Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2005-22417]

Notice of Intent To Survey Medical Examiners Who Certify the Physical Qualifications of Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of FMCSA to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for an information collection associated with the agency's medical examiner Role Delineation Study. This information collection would gather data on the role of medical examiners and provide medical examiners (medical doctors (MDs), doctors of osteopathy (DOs), doctors of chiropractic (DCs), physician assistants (PAs) and advance practice nurses (APNs)) who perform FMCSA physical examinations of commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers a means of participating in an assessment of the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to effectively determine if a CMV driver's health meets Federal physical qualifications standards. The data obtained from the Role Delineation Study and other sources would be used to support the development of the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners (NRCME) program.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 28, 2005.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by Docket Number FMCSA-2005-22417 by any of the following methods:

- Web site: <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Follow the instructions for submitting comments on the DOT electronic docket site.

- Fax: 1-202-493-2251.

- *Mail:* Docket Management System (DMS) Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Nassif Building, Room PL-401, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- *Hand Delivery:* Room PL-401 on plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays.

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Instructions: All submissions must include the agency name and docket number of the notice. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://dms.dot.gov> including any personal information provided.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://dms.dot.gov> at any time or to Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Privacy Act: Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000, at 65 FR 19477 or you may visit <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information, contact Dr. Mary D. Gunnels, Office of Bus and Truck Standards and Operations, Physical Qualifications Division, 202-366-4001. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Notice of Intent to Survey Medical Examiners Who Certify the Physical Qualifications of Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers.

Background

Section 4116 of The Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) (Public Law 109-59) requires the Secretary of Transportation "to establish and maintain a current national registry of medical examiners who are qualified to perform examinations and issue medical certificates." To implement this

requirement, FMCSA is developing the National Registry program that was announced at a June 22, 2005, Public Meeting in Arlington, Virginia (70 FR 28596; May 18, 2005). The NRCME will be comprised, in part, of a training and testing program that will include a database of medical examiners who conduct medical examinations of interstate CMV drivers and effectively determine their physical qualifications to operate such vehicles in interstate commerce as defined in 49 CFR 391.41.

Once the program is implemented, FMCSA would only accept medical examinations conducted by NRCME medical examiners. The NRCME program would require training using a standardized curriculum, a certification examination, and procedures to maintain the quality of the program in accordance with national accreditation standards. The Role Delineation Study is a critical component of developing a standardized training curriculum and a valid, reliable and fair certification examination. The goal of the Role Delineation Study is to inform the policies that guide the NRCME program in accordance with national accreditation standards. The study is an assessment of the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary for a medical examiner to perform competently. The Role Delineation Study incorporates the following components: (1) Develop a task list through a variety of techniques; (2) measure agreement on each task in the list by a representative sample of medical examiners; (3) disqualify tasks lacking sufficient agreement; (4) identify critical tasks; and (5) create specifications for an examination. The information derived from the Role Delineation Study is necessary to form the basis of a professionally and legally sound quality management system that supports a national accreditation of the certification program. A survey of medical examiners is one of the techniques for gathering data from FMCSA medical examiners for the Role Delineation Study.

Respondents: Medical examiners (MDs, DOs, DCs, PAs, and APNs) who are currently performing FMCSA physical examinations of CMV drivers.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: The estimated average burden per response for each survey is 30 to 60 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: The estimated total annual burden is 500 to 1000 hours for the information collection based on the following requirement for statistical significance: 200 responses for each of the five medical examiner professional categories; [1000 respondents per survey