

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by April 4, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Comments: Comments should identify the associated OMB approval #2138-0006 and Docket 23342. Persons wishing the Department to acknowledge receipt of their comments must submit with those comments a self-addressed stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: Comments on OMB #2138-0006, Docket 23342. The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval No.: 2138-0006.

Title: Preservation of Air Carrier Records—14 CFR Part 249.

Form No.: None.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved recordkeeping requirement.

Respondents: Certificated air carriers and charter operators.

Number of Respondents: 120 certificated air carriers, 300 charter operators.

Estimated Time per Response: 3 hours per certificated air carrier, 1 hour per charter operator.

Total Annual Burden: 660 hours.

Needs and Uses: Part 249 requires the retention of records such as: general and subsidiary ledgers, journals and journal vouchers, voucher distribution registers, accounts receivable and payable journals and ledgers, subsidy records documenting underlying financial and statistical reports to DOT, funds reports, consumer records, sales reports, auditors' and flight coupons, air waybills, etc. Depending on the nature of the document, the carrier may be required to retain the document for a period of 30 days to 3 years. Public charter operators and overseas military personnel charter operators must retain documents which evidence or reflect deposits made by each charter participant and commissions received by, paid to, or deducted by travel agents, and all statements, invoices, bills and receipts from suppliers or furnishers of goods and services in connection with the tour or charter. These records are retained for 6 months after completion of the charter program.

Not only is it imperative that carriers and charter operators retain source documentation, but it is critical that we ensure that DOT has access to these

records. Given DOT's established information needs for such reports, the underlying support documentation must be retained for a reasonable period of time. Absent the retention requirements, the support for such reports may or may not exist for audit/validation purposes and the relevance and usefulness of the carrier submissions would be impaired, since the data could not be verified to the source on a test basis.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Research & Innovative Technology Administration

Agency Information Collection; Activity Under OMB Review; Passenger Origin-Destination Survey Report

AGENCY: Research & Innovative Technology Administration (RITA), Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13, the Bureau of Transportation Statistics invites the general public, industry and other governmental parties to comment on the continuing need for and usefulness of BTS collecting a sample of airline passenger itineraries with the dollar value of the passenger ticket. Certificated air carriers that operated scheduled passenger service with at least one aircraft having a seating capacity of over 60 seats report these data. Comments are requested concerning whether: (a) The collection is still needed by the Department of Transportation; (b) BTS accurately estimated the reporting burden; (c) there are other ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collected; and (d) there are ways to minimize reporting burden, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Presently, the Department has a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (70 FR 8140, February 17, 2005) to restructure the Passenger Origin-Destination Survey Report. We are currently reviewing diverse comments on the NPRM which were due July 18, 2005 in preparation

for a final rule. Until such time as we issue a final rule, the existing system for the collection of this data will remain in place to ensure compliance with statutory obligations. Therefore, we are seeking an extension of the rule in its present format. When the rulemaking becomes final the Department will seek Office of Management and Budget approval of the new reporting requirements.

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Comments: Comments should identify the associated OMB approval #2139-0001 and Docket 23755. Persons wishing the Department to acknowledge receipt of their comments must submit with those comments a self-addressed stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: Comments on OMB #2139-0001, Docket 23755. The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval No.: 2139-0001.

Title: Passenger Origin-Destination Survey Report.

Form No.: None.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Large certificated air carriers.

Number of Respondents: 32.

Number of Responses: 128.

Total Annual Burden: 30,720 hours.

Needs and Uses: Survey data are used in monitoring the airline industry, negotiating international air agreements, selecting new international routes, selecting U.S. carriers to operate limited entry international routes, and modeling the spread of contagious diseases from foreign countries.

The Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (44 U.S.C. 3501 note), requires a statistical agency to clearly identify information it collects for non-statistical purposes. BTS hereby notifies the respondents and the public that BTS uses the information it collects under this OMB approval for non-statistical purposes including, but not limited to, publication of both Respondent's identity and its data, submission of the information to agencies outside BTS for review, analysis and possible use in regulatory and other administrative matters.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Research & Innovative Technology Administration

Agency Information Collection; Activity Under OMB Review; Report of Extension of Credit to Political Candidates—Form 183

AGENCY: Research & Innovative Technology Administration (RITA), Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13, the Bureau of Transportation Statistics invites the general public, industry and other governmental parties to comment on the continuing need for and usefulness of BTS collecting reports from air carriers on the aggregated indebtedness balance of a political candidate or party for Federal office. The reports are required when the aggregated indebtedness is over \$5,000 on the last day of a month.

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Comments: Comments should identify the associated OMB approval #2138-0016 and Docket 23343. Persons wishing the Department to acknowledge receipt of their comments must submit with those comments a self-addressed stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: Comments on OMB #2138-0016, Docket 23343. The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval No.: 2138-0016.

Title: Report of Extension of Credit to Political Candidates—Form 183, 14 CFR Part 374a.

Form No.: 183.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Certificated air carriers.

Number of Respondents: 2 (Monthly Average).

Number of Responses: 24.

Estimated Time per Response: 1 hour.

Total Annual Burden: 24 hours.

Needs and Uses: The Department uses this form as the means to fulfill its obligation under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (the Act). The Act's legislative history indicates that one of its statutory goals is to prevent candidates for Federal political office from incurring large amounts of unsecured debt with regulated transportation companies (e.g. airlines). This information collection allows the Department to monitor and disclose the amount of unsecured credit extended by airlines to candidates for Federal office. All certificated air carriers are required to submit this information.

The Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (44 U.S.C. 3501 note), requires a statistical agency to clearly identify information it collects for non-statistical purposes. BTS hereby notifies the respondents and the public that BTS uses the information it collects under this OMB approval for non-statistical purposes including, but not limited to, publication of both Respondent's identity and its data, submission of the information to agencies outside BTS for review, analysis and possible use in regulatory and other administrative matters.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34772]

R.J. Corman Railroad Company/Tennessee Terminal, LLC—Lease and Operation Exemption—BNSF Railway Company

R.J. Corman Railroad Company/Tennessee Terminal, LLC (RJCK), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to lease, from BNSF Railway Company (BNSF), and operate approximately 46.7 miles of rail line known as the Tennessee-Mississippi Terminal Tracks as follows: (1) Tracks referred to as the Olive Branch Metro Industrial Park tracks all in DeSoto County, MS; (2) tracks referred to as the Airport Industrial Park tracks, located in Shelby County, TN; and (3) tracks referred to as the Tennessee Yard tracks, all in Shelby

County, TN: (a) Track No. 0323 from a point west of track No. 0324 to the point it connects with track No. 2058 on the west end of the yard;¹ (b) track Nos. 2062, 2063, 2064, 2065, 0311 and 0312; (c) track No. 1400, the Solae Lead, and all connected BNSF owned industrial tracks north of the yard; (d) track No. 1300, the Perkins Lead, and all connected BNSF owned industrial tracks north of the yard; (e) track Nos. 1365, 1370, 1372 and 1375, the Coors Leads; (f) track Nos. 1318 and 1356, Transload of Tennessee lead track; (g) track No. 1500 from a point east of the Shelby overpass and all Hickory Hill Industrial Park leads owned by BNSF; and (h) track Nos. 0892, 1202, 1204, 1207 and all connected BNSF owned industrial tracks north of main track No. 2. In addition, BNSF is granting incidental trackage rights at its Tennessee Yard to RJCK for the purpose of moving RJCK's trains and equipment on BNSF's tracks as follows: (a) Track No. 0323 from a point west of track No. 0324 to the point it connects with track No. 1500 on the east end of the yard; (b) track No. 1500 from a point east of the Shelby overpass to the point it connects with track No. 0323; (c) track No. 0323 from the point it connects with track No. 2058 to the point track No. 0323 connects with track No. 1008; and (d) track No. 1008 (former Main 2) from the point it connects with track No. 0323 to milepost 493.0.

This transaction is related to STB Finance Docket No. 34775, *Richard J. Corman and R.J. Corman Railroad Group, LLC—Continuance in Control Exemption—R.J. Corman Railroad Company/Tennessee Terminal, LLC*, wherein Richard J. Corman and R.J. Corman Railroad Group, LLC, have concurrently filed a verified notice of exemption to continue in control of RJCK, upon its becoming a Class III rail carrier.

RJCK certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not result in the creation of a Class II or Class I rail carrier, and further certifies that its projected annual revenues will not exceed \$5 million. The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on January 15, 2006.

If the notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the transaction.

¹ BNSF is reserving the right to use this track for the sole purpose of moving its trains and equipment.