

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Surface Transportation Board**

[STB Ex Parte No. 290 (Sub-No. 4)]

**Railroad Cost Recovery Procedures—  
Productivity Adjustment****AGENCY:** Surface Transportation Board, DOT.**ACTION:** Correction to proposed adoption of a Railroad Cost Recovery Procedures productivity adjustment published in the **Federal Register** January 31, 2006, at 71 FR 5117.**SUMMARY:** The Surface Transportation Board proposes to adopt 1.019 (1.9%) as the measure of average change in railroad productivity for the 2000–2004 (5-year) averaging period. This value is a decline of 1 percentage point from the current measure of 2.9% that was developed for the 1999–2003 period.**DATES:** Comments are due February 15, 2006. *Effective Date:* The proposed productivity adjustment is effective March 1, 2006.**ADDRESSES:** Send comments (an original and 10 copies) referring to STB Ex Parte No. 290 (Sub-No. 4) to: Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423–0001.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** H. Jeff Warren, (202) 565–1533. [Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) for the hearing impaired: 1–800–877–8339.]**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Additional information is contained in the Board's decision, which is available on our Web site <http://www.stb.dot.gov>. To purchase a copy of the full decision, write to, e-mail or call the Board's contractor, ASAP Document Solutions; 9332 Annapolis Rd., Suite 103, Lanham, MD 20706; e-mail [asapdc@verizon.net](mailto:asapdc@verizon.net); phone (202) 306–4004. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through FIRS: 1–800–877–8339.]

This action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or energy conservation.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 605(b), we conclude that our action will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

Decided: January 23, 2006.

By the Board, Chairman Buttrey, and Vice Chairman Mulvey.

**Vernon A. Williams,**  
Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY****Fiscal Service****Financial Management Service;  
Proposed Collection of Information:  
Pools and Associations—Annual  
Letter****AGENCY:** Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Treasury.**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.**SUMMARY:** The Financial Management Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a continuing information collection. By this notice, the Financial Management Service solicits comments concerning the "Pools and Associations—Annual Letter."**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before April 10, 2006.**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Financial Management Service, 3700 East West Highway, Records and Information Management Branch, Room 135, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information should be directed to Rose Miller, Manager, Surety Bond Branch, Room 632F, 3700 East West Highway, Hyattsville, MD 20782, (202) 874–6850.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), the Financial Management Service solicits comments on the collection of information described below:*Title:* Pools and Association—Annual Letter.*OMB Number:* 1510–0008.*Form Number:* None.*Abstract:* The information is collected for the determinations of an acceptable percentage for each pool and association to allow Treasury certified companies credit on their Schedule F for authorized ceded reinsurance in determining the companies' underwriting limitations.*Current Actions:* Extension of currently approved collection.*Type of Review:* Regular.*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 100.*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 1 hour 30 minutes.*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 150.*Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will besummarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. *Comments are invited 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, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: January 19, 2006.

**Wanda Rogers,***Assistant Commissioner, Financial Operations.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY****Fiscal Service****Financial Management Service;  
Proposed Collection of Information:  
Voucher for Payment of Awards****AGENCY:** Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Treasury.**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.**SUMMARY:** The Financial Management Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a continuing information collection. By this notice, the Financial Management Service solicits comments concerning the form "Voucher for Payment of Awards."**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before April 10, 2006.**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Financial Management Service, 3700 East West Highway, Records and Information Management Program Staff, Room 135, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information should be directed to Kevin McIntyre, Manager, Judgment Fund Branch, 3700 East West Highway, Room 630F, Hyattsville, MD 20782, (202) 874–1130.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), the Financial Management Service solicits comments on the collection of information described below:

*Title:* Voucher for Payment of Awards.

*OMB Number:* 1510-0037.

*Form Number:* TFS 5135.

*Abstract:* Awards certificate to Treasury are paid annually as funds are received from foreign governments. Vouchers are mailed to awardholders showing payments due. Awardholders sign vouchers certifying that he/she is entitled to payment. Executed vouchers are used as a basis for payment.

*Current Actions:* Extension of currently approved collection.

*Type of Review:* Regular.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,400.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 30 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 700.

*Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. *Comments are invited 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, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: January 19, 2006.

**Wanda Rogers,**

*Assistant Commissioner, Financial Operations.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Fiscal Service

#### Financial Management Service; Proposed Collection of Information: States Where Licensed for Surety

**AGENCY:** Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Treasury.

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

**SUMMARY:** The Financial Management Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a continuing information collection. By this notice, the Financial Management Service solicits comments concerning the form "States Where Licensed for Surety."

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before April 10, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Financial Management Service, 3700 East West Highway, Records and Information Management Branch, Room 135, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Request for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to Rose Miller, Manager, Surety Bond Branch, Room 632F, 3700 East West Highway, Hyattsville, MD 20782, (202) 874-6850. **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), the Financial Management Service solicits comments on the collection of information described below:

*Title:* States Where Licensed for Surety.

*OMB Number:* 1510-0013.

*Form Number:* FMS 2208.

*Abstract:* Information is collected from insurance companies in order to provide Federal bond approving officers with this information. The listing of states, by company, appears in Treasury's Circular 570, "Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds."

*Current Actions:* Extension of currently approved collection.

*Type of Review:* Regular.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 318.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 1 hour.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 318.

*Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be

summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. *Comments are invited 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, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: January 26, 2006.

**Wanda Rogers,**

*Assistant Commissioner, Financial Operations.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0671]

### Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a current collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to determine veterans' and servicemembers' eligibility requirements for payment of traumatic injury protection benefits covered under Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before April 10, 2006.