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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions on this notice, call Mr. William Peters, Naval Architecture Division, G–PSE–2, Coast Guard, telephone 202–372–1372. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Ms. Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–493–0402.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Request for Comments**

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**Background and Purpose**

On April 26, 2006, the Coast Guard published a notice (71 FR 24732) that announced voluntary interim measures for certain domestic vessels to account for increased passenger and vessel weight when determining the number of passengers permitted. The notice included a discussion on the typical restriction to “reasonable operating conditions” placed on the Certificate of Inspection (COI) of vessels that are designed only for operation on protected waters. Under the recommended voluntary measures for prudent operation for all small passenger vessels, the notice advised that reasonable operating conditions do not include conditions associated with a small craft advisory as well as other specific wind and wave conditions.

According to the National Weather Service (NWS), a small craft advisory is issued to alert small craft—generally vessels less than 65 feet in length—to sustained (more than 2 hours) hazardous weather or sea conditions that may be either present or forecasted. Upon learning of such an advisory, the NWS urges mariners to immediately determine the reason and to monitor the latest marine broadcast. See <http://www.weather.gov/glossary>.

The April notice also discussed increased passenger weight and identified the means by which the Coast Guard typically evaluates a small passenger vessel’s stability.

This notice updates the voluntary measures for prudent operation published in the **Federal Register** on April 26, 2006, by clarifying guidance in the previous notice on reasonable operating conditions and the vessels to which that guidance applies.

The Coast Guard received numerous comments from the public in response to the April 26, 2006, notice.

**Advisory Actions**

*Updated Voluntary Measures for Prudent Operation: All Small Passenger Vessels*

The recommendation given in the April 26, 2006, notice to owners and operators of all small passenger vessels certificated only for operation on protected waters is amended as follows to further clarify “reasonable operating conditions”:

(1) For passenger pontoon vessels, voluntarily operate in “reasonable operating conditions,” which do not include:

- Wind gusts over 30 knots (35 miles per hour);
- Waves over two feet;
- Sustained winds over 18 knots (21 miles per hour); or
- Conditions associated with a small craft advisory.

(2) For other small passenger, non-sailing vessels certificated to operate only on protected waters and that are less than 65 feet, give special consideration to the “reasonable operating conditions” as set forth in item (1) above while complying with the requirements of 46 CFR 185.304 or 122.304.

The Coast Guard expects that small passenger vessel owners and operators are aware of and follow the guidelines presented in the April 26, 2006 notice as supplemented by this notice. The Coast Guard is in the process of more formally addressing stability issues caused by increases in passenger and vessel weight for all domestic vessels.

Dated: October 25, 2006.

**C.E. Bone,**

*Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Assistant Commandant for Prevention.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

**Transportation Security Administration**

**Intent To Request Renewal From OMB of One Current Public Collection of Information: Aircraft Operator Security**

**AGENCY:** Transportation Security Administration, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) invites public comment on one currently approved information collection requirement abstracted below that we will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for renewal in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act.

**DATES:** Send your comments by January 2, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be mailed or delivered to Katrina Kletzly, Attorney-Advisor, Office of the Chief Counsel, TSA-2, Transportation Security Administration, 601 South 12th Street, Arlington, VA 22202-4220.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Katrina Kletzly at the above address, or by telephone (571) 227-1995 or facsimile (571) 227-1381.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Comments Invited**

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. Therefore, in preparation for OMB review and approval of the following information collection, TSA is soliciting comments to—

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed information requirement is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including using appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**Information Collection Requirement**

TSA is seeking to renew its OMB control number, 1652-0003, Aircraft Operator Security. TSA has implemented aircraft operator security standards at 49 CFR part 1544, which requires each aircraft operator to adopt and implement a security program. As part of these security programs, aircraft operators are required to maintain and update, as necessary, records of compliance with the security program provisions outlined in part 1544. This regulation also requires aircraft operators to make their security programs and associated records available for inspection by TSA to ensure security, safety, and regulatory compliance. Under this regulation, aircraft operators must ensure flightcrew members and employees with unescorted access authority or who perform screening functions submit to a criminal history records check (CHRC); to conduct the CHRC, these individuals

must provide identifying information, including fingerprints. The collection requirements associated with aircraft operator security programs remain critical in the aftermath of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. The current estimated annual reporting burden for an estimated 80 respondent air carriers is 41,600 hours.

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**Peter Pietra,**

*Director of Privacy Policy and Compliance.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5041-N-43]

**Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request; Application and Re-Certification Packages for Approval of Nonprofit Organizations in FHA Activities**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** *Comments Due Date:* January 2, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Lillian Deitzer, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., L'Enfant Plaza Building, Room 8003, Washington, DC 20410 or [Lillian\\_Deitzer@hud.gov](mailto:Lillian_Deitzer@hud.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Margaret Burns, Director, Office of Single Family Program Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-2121 (this is not a toll free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available information.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department is submitting the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork

Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

*Title of Proposal:* Application and Re-certification Packages for Approval of Nonprofit Organizations for FHA Activities.

*OMB Control Number, if applicable:* 2502-0540.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* The information collection is essential to the Department's mission to expand homeownership opportunities and strengthen neighborhoods and communities by standardizing the process throughout the country. The information that nonprofit organizations must submit to be eligible to participate as a mortgagor in HUD's single-family housing programs is in the form of an application, re-certification, or other reporting criteria. Nonprofit organizations are viewed as significant partners in rehabilitating and reselling residential housing to low- and moderate-income families, particularly in the nation's urban centers. Each nonprofit organization seeking to become approved as a mortgagor must submit a completed Application Package for Nonprofit Agency Approval and an Affordable Housing Plan—Format for Narrative to the appropriate HUD Homeownership Center (HOC). The Affordable Housing Plan—Format for Narrative details the nonprofit organization's plan to develop successful homeownership opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons. Nonprofit agencies applying for approval to provide secondary financing only do not need to include an Affordable Housing Plan in their submission.

Approvals granted to nonprofit applicants are for a period of two years. An approval letter will be issued setting