

FRA understands that the covered service employees affected by RRV&W's waiver request are not represented by any employee labor organization, and accordingly, RRV&W's waiver request is made solely by the carrier. FRA recognizes that the intent of 49 U.S.C. 21108(a) is to ensure that covered service employees are provided meaningful input into any potential waiver of the HSL that would affect their work schedules. Accordingly, before considering the requested relief, FRA is requiring that within 30 days of the publication date of this notice, RRV&W submit evidence to the docket demonstrating that it has sought employee input into the waiver request, what that employee input was, and that it has provided each covered employee affected by the request with a copy of the waiver petition, along with information on how to submit comments to FRA on the request. FRA will consider this additional information, along with all other relevant factors, in determining whether granting the requested relief would be in the public interest and consistent with railroad safety.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2009-0056) and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Web site:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax:* 202-493-2251.
- *Mail:* Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- *Hand Delivery:* 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular

business hours (9 a.m.–5 p.m.) at the above facility. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the Internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications and 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 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477–78).

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) has received a request for a waiver of compliance from certain requirements of its safety standards. The individual petition is described below, including the party seeking relief, the regulatory provisions involved, the nature of the relief being requested, and the petitioner's arguments in favor of relief.

Ellis & Eastern Company (Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2009-0071)

The Ellis & Eastern Company (EEC) seeks a waiver from compliance of certain provisions of the Federal hours of service law (49 U.S.C. Chapter 211; HSL). Although EEC requests waiver relief from the requirements of Title 49 CFR 228.19, FRA believes EEC's intent was to request relief from U.S.C. § 21103(a)(4), and is therefore processing the EEC's request as such. Section 21103(a)(4) states that a train employee may not be required or allowed to remain or go on duty after that employee has initiated an on-duty period each day for 6 consecutive days, unless that employee has had at least 48 hours off duty at the employee's home terminal.

EEC currently has 6 train employees who typically work two assignments (0600 and 0700) Monday through

Saturday, with an occasional Sunday assignment during peak periods. EEC's request may be viewed at <http://www.regulations.gov> under the docket number listed above.

The HSL, at 49 U.S.C. 21108(a), contemplates that any request for a waiver from its requirements will be a joint waiver involving the relevant railroad carrier(s) and nonprofit employee labor organization(s) representing the class or craft of directly affected covered service employees. FRA understands that the covered service employees affected by EEC's waiver request are not represented by any employee labor organization, and accordingly, EEC's waiver request is made solely by the carrier. FRA recognizes that the intent of 49 U.S.C. 21108(a) is to ensure that covered service employees are provided meaningful input into any potential waiver of the HSL that would affect their work schedules. Accordingly, before considering the requested relief, FRA is requiring that within 30 days of the publication date of this notice, EEC submit evidence to the docket demonstrating that it has sought employee input into the waiver request, what that employee input was, and that it has provided each covered employee affected by the request with a copy of the waiver petition, along with information on how to submit comments to FRA on the request. FRA will consider this additional information, along with all other relevant factors, in determining whether granting the requested relief would be in the public interest and consistent with railroad safety.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2009-0071) and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Web site:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 5227

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, 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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 5227, Split-Interest Trust Information Return.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before October 26, 2009 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Martha R. Brinson, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Evelyn J. Mack at (202) 622–7381, or at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the Internet at Evelyn.J.Mack@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Split-Interest Trust Information Return.

OMB Number: 1545–0196.

Form Number: 5227.

Abstract: Form 5227 is used to report the financial activities of a split-interest trust described in Internal Revenue Code section 4947(a)(2), and to determine whether the trust is treated as a private foundation and is subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code.

Current Actions: Four additional entry spaces were added to incorporate a donation date which is essential to checking the calculation of the unitrust amount. In previous revisions the date was requested under question 55 on Page 3.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Responses: 115,000.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 128 hr., 20 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 14,759,100.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB 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.

Approved: August 17, 2009.

Martha R. Brinson,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Revenue Procedure 97–33

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, 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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Revenue Procedure 97–33, Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before October 26, 2009 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Martha R. Brinson, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the regulations should be directed to Evelyn J. Mack at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622–7381, or through the Internet at EvelynJ.Mack@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS).

OMB Number: 1545–1546.