

including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

#### *Electronic Comments*

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an e-mail to [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-FINRA-2009-072 on the subject line.

#### *Paper Comments*

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-FINRA-2009-072. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of FINRA. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-FINRA-2009-072 and should be submitted on or before December 23, 2009.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>8</sup>

**Elizabeth M. Murphy,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

### [Public Notice 6547]

#### **U.S. Department of State Advisory Committee on Private International Law: Organization of American States (OAS) Specialized Conference on Private International Law (CIDIP) Study Group**

The Working Group on Conflicts of Law previously established under the Department of State Advisory Committee on Private International Law has been renamed the OAS CIDIP Study Group to reflect a broader scope of activity including consideration of issues relating to choice of law, applicable law, jurisdiction, enforcement of judgments, and dispute resolution that may be discussed in the Organization of American States (OAS) CIDIP process. This is not a meeting of the full Advisory Committee.

In the context of the Seventh Inter-American Specialized Conference on Private International Law (CIDIP-VII), the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs (CJAP) of the Permanent Council of the OAS is carrying out work on consumer rights as part of its program on private international law. Three proposals have been put forward: A revised Brazilian draft convention on applicable law that has recently been expanded to include jurisdiction, a Canadian draft model law on applicable law and jurisdiction, and a United States proposal (with several components) for legislative guidelines/model laws/rules to promote consumer redress mechanisms such as small claims tribunals, collective procedures, on-line dispute resolution, and government actions. The U.S. is considering the possibility of expanding its existing proposal.

The United States is also considering whether to pursue ratification of the Inter-American Convention on the Law Applicable to International Contracts (known as the Mexico City Convention), which was adopted at the Fifth Inter-American Specialized Conference on Private International Law (CIDIP-V). The United States is exploring the process for obtaining official corrections to the English text of the Convention to conform to the Spanish version. Copies of proposed corrections to the English text can be obtained through the contact points listed below. Other developments which may be relevant to work at the OAS include the proposal at UNCITRAL for future work on on-line dispute resolution and the establishment by the Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference on Private International Law of an experts group to consider

development of a non-binding instrument on choice of law in international commercial contracts.

The Advisory Committee's OAS CIDIP Study Group will hold a public meeting to obtain additional views on the three consumer protection proposals identified above (along with possible revisions) and the Mexico City Convention.

*Time and Place:* The public meeting of the Study Group will take place at the Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Room H-481, Washington, DC on December 14, 2009, from 10 a.m. EST to 4 p.m. EST. If you are unable to attend the public meeting and would like to participate from a remote location, teleconferencing will be available.

*Public Participation:* Advisory Committee Study Group meetings are open to the public. Persons wishing to attend must contact Trisha Smeltzer at [smeltzertk@state.gov](mailto:smeltzertk@state.gov) or 202-776-8423 and provide their name, e-mail address, and affiliation(s) if any. Please contact Ms. Smeltzer for additional meeting information, any of the documents referenced above, or dial-in information on the conference call. A member of the public needing reasonable accommodation should advise those same contacts not later than December 9th. Requests made after that date will be considered, but might not be able to be fulfilled. Persons who cannot attend or participate by conference call but who wish to comment on any of the topics referred to above are welcome to do so by e-mail to Michael Dennis at [DennisMJ@state.gov](mailto:DennisMJ@state.gov) or Hugh Stevenson at [hstevenson@ftc.gov](mailto:hstevenson@ftc.gov).

Dated: November 25, 2009.

**Michael Dennis,**

Attorney-Adviser, Office of Private International Law, Office of the Legal Adviser, Department of State.

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## TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

### **Notice of Public Information Collection Requirements Submitted to OMB for Review**

**AGENCY:** United States Trade and Development Agency.

**ACTION:** Request for Comments.

**SUMMARY:** U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) has submitted the following information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. USTDA published its first **Federal**

<sup>8</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

**Register** Notice on this information collection request on September 24, 2009, at 74 FR 48807, at which time a 60-day comment period was announced. The comment period ended November 23, 2009. No comments were received in response to this notice.

*Comments are again being solicited on the following proposed information collection concerning:* (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by OMB by January 4, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the subject form and the request for review prepared for submission to OMB may be obtained from the Agency Submitting Officer. Comments on the form should be addressed as follows: Attention: Desk Officer for USTDA, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carolyn Hum, Attn: PRA, 1000 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1600, Arlington, VA 22209-3901; Tel.: (703) 875-4357, Fax: (703) 875-4009, E-mail: [chum@ustda.gov](mailto:chum@ustda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Type of Request:* New collection.  
*Title:* Evaluation of USTDA Performance.

*Form Number:* USTDA 1000E-2009a.  
*Frequency of Use:* annually for duration of project.

*Type of Respondents:* Business or other for profit; Not-for-profit institutions; Farms; Federal Government.

*Description of Affected Public:* U.S. companies and other entities that participate in USTDA-funded activities.

*Reporting Hours:* 1000 hours per year.  
*Number of Responses:* 3000 per year.  
*Federal Cost:* \$425,000 per year.

*Authority for Information Collection:* Government Performance and Results

Act of 1993; 103 Public Law 62; 107 Stat. 285.

*Abstract (Needs and Uses):* USTDA and contractors will collect information from various stakeholders on USTDA-funded activities regarding developmental impact and/or commercial objectives as well as evaluate success regarding GPRA and OMB PART objectives.

Dated: November 27, 2009.

**Carolyn Hum,**

*Administrative Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**National Highway Traffic Safety Administration**

[U.S. DOT Docket No. NHTSA-2009-0142]

**Reports, Forms, and Record Keeping Requirements**

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), DOT.  
**ACTION:** Request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and the expected burden.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before February 1, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to the U.S. Department of Transportation Dockets, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., W46-474, Washington, DC 20590. Docket No. NHTSA-2009-0142.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Scott Roberts, Ph.D., Contracting Officer's Technical Representative, Office of Behavioral Safety Research (NTI-132), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., W46-495, Washington, DC 20590. Dr. Roberts' phone number is 202-366-5594 and his e-mail address is [Scott.Roberts@dot.gov](mailto:Scott.Roberts@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Focus Groups to Develop Strategic Messaging for Distracted Driving Programs.

*Type of Request:* Emergency clearance.

*Requested Expiration Date of Approval:* 180 days from approval date.

*Abstract:* The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)

was established by the Highway Safety Act of 1970 (23 U.S.C. 101) to carry out a Congressional mandate to reduce the mounting number of deaths, injuries, and economic losses resulting from motor vehicle crashes on the Nation's highways. In support of this mission, NHTSA proposes to conduct a limited number of focus group sessions with members of the general public to test and refine its strategic messaging.

*Affected Public:* A maximum of 24 focus group sessions, lasting 90 minutes, will be held with nine participants in each session. Participation by all respondents would be voluntary, and respondents will receive \$75 for their participation.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 324 hours.

*Comments are invited on the following:*

(i) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) How to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) How to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

A comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

**Authority:** 44 U.S.C. Section 3506(c)(2)(A)

**Jeff Michael,**

*Associate Administrator, Research and Program Development.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Aviation Administration**

**Agency Information Collection Activity Seeking OMB Approval**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) revision of a current information