DEPARTMENT OF STATE
[Public Notice: 6961]


ACTION: Notice of request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment in the Federal Register preceding submission to OMB. We are conducting this process in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

- Title of Information Collection: Retail Price Schedule.
- OMB Control Number: No OMB Control Number has yet been assigned.
- Type of Request: New Collection.
- Form Number: DS–2020.
- Respondents: Respondents are managers of retail price outlets in the Washington, DC area and at 96 foreign locations.
- Estimated Number of Respondents: 3888 annually. The estimate represents the number of outlets visited annually worldwide.
- Estimated Number of Responses: 4032.
- Average Hours Per Response: It is estimated that the average in Washington, DC is one hour. The estimate for foreign locations is twenty minutes.
- Total Estimated Burden: 1,376 hours.
- Frequency: Biennially at foreign posts. Quarterly in Washington, D.C.
- Obligation to Respond: Responses from outlets is Voluntary. However, the collection and submission of the data by USG posts is required for Federal employees to obtain/retain a benefit.

DATES: The Department will accept comments from the public up to 60 days from April 21, 2010.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- E-mail: AllowancesO@state.gov.
- Mail (paper, disk, or CD–ROM submissions): Office of Allowances (A/OPR/ALS), Room L314 SA–1, Department of State, Washington, DC 20522–0103
- Fax: (202) 261–8707 or (202) 261–8708
- Hand Delivery or Courier: Office of Allowances (A/OPR/ALS) Room L314, Department of State, 2401 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20037

You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and OMB control number in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed information collection and supporting documents, to George W. Indyke, Director, Office of Allowances, Room L314 SA–1, Washington, DC 20522–0103, who may be reached on (202) 261–8700 or at AllowancesO@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:
- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of our functions.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of technology.

Abstract of proposed collection: The collected data is used by the Department of State to carry out its responsibilities under 5 U.S.C. 5924(1), and Executive Orders 10903 and by the Department of Defense to carry out responsibilities under 37 USC 405. It is the primary source of information used to establish/justify post (cost of living) allowances for all Federal civilian employees assigned abroad and cost of living allowances for uniformed service members. The respondents are the store/department managers of approximately 40 retail outlets at each foreign post and approximately 48 retail outlets in the Washington, DC area.

Methodology: U.S. Government employees or contractors visit the retail outlets and gather prices personally. The estimated burden for respondents is based on the time the Price Collectors may spend with them to explain the purpose of the data collection and seek their cooperation with having the price collector gather prices. Once the price collector has completed the cost data collection, the information is entered in the eAllowances program for electronic submission to the Department of State’s Office of Allowances.


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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
[Public Notice 6960]


SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (70 Stat. 985; 22 U.S.C. 2459), Executive Order 12047 of March 27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2681, et seq.; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, et seq.), Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999, Delegation of Authority No. 236 of October 19, 1999, as amended, and Delegation of Authority No. 257 of April 15, 2003 [68 FR 19875], I hereby determine that the objects to be included in the exhibition “The Glory of Ukraine: Golden Treasures and Lost Civilizations,” imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, are of cultural significance. The objects are imported pursuant to loan agreements with the foreign owners or custodians. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at the Museum of Russian Art, Minneapolis, MN, from on or about September 3, 2010, until on or about January 23, 2011; the Joslyn Museum of Art, Omaha, NE, from on or about January 2011 until on or about May 2011; the Houston Museum of Natural Science, Houston TX, from on or about May 27, 2011, to on or about September 5, 2011, and at possible additional exhibitions or venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest. Public Notice of these Determinations is ordered to be published in the Federal Register.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, including a list of the exhibit objects, contact Carol B. Epstein, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: 202/632–6473). The address
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB–33 (Sub-No. 281X)]

Union Pacific Railroad Company—Abandonment Exemption—in Orange County, CA

Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F—Exempt Abandonments to abandon a 1.15-mile line of railroad, on the Brea Chemical Industrial Lead, from milepost 507.5 to milepost 508.65 near the City of Brea, in Orange County, CA. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Code 92821.

UP has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) there is no overhead traffic on the line; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the line (or filed by a state or local government entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service on the line either is pending with the Board or with any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of complainant within the 2-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.7 (environmental report), 49 CFR 1105.8 (historic report), 49 CFR 1105.11 (transmittal letter), 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication), and 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice to governmental agencies) have been met.

As a condition to this exemption, any employee adversely affected by the abandonment shall be protected under Oregon Short Line R. Co.—Abandonment—Goshen, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979). To address whether this condition adequately protects affected employees, a petition for partial revocation under 49 USC 10502(d) must be filed.

Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) has been received, this exemption will be effective on or after May 21, 2010, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues, formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2), and trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by May 3, 2010. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by May 11, 2010, with: Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20423–0001.

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to UP’s representative: Mack H. Shumate, Jr., Senior General Attorney, 101 North Wacker Drive, Suite 1920, Chicago, IL 60606.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio. UP has filed a combined environmental and historic report which address the effects, if any, of the abandonment on the environment and historic resources. SEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by April 26, 2010. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA by writing to SEA (Room 1100, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423–0001) or by calling SEA, at (202) 245–0305. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339. Comments on environmental and historic preservation matters must be filed within 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public.

Environmental, historic preservation, public use, or trail use/rail banking conditions will be imposed, where appropriate, in a subsequent decision.

Pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), UP shall file a notice of consummation with the Board to signify that it has exercised the authority granted and fully abandoned the line. If consummation has not been effected by UP’s filing of a notice of consummation by April 21, 2011, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at http://www.stb.dot.gov.


Maura M. Pally,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Professional and Cultural Exchanges, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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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 collection. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on November 13, 2009, vol. 74, no. 218, page 58676–58677. This rulemaking established requirements for the FAA’s authority to issue Experimental Permits for reusable suborbital rockets to authorize launches for the purpose of research and development, crew training and showing compliance with the regulations.

DATES: Please submit comments by May 21, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carla Mauney at Carla.Mauney@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

Title: Experimental Permits for Reusable Suborbital Rockets.

Type of Request: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

OMB Control Number: 2120–0722.

Form(s): There are no FAA forms associated with this collection.

Affected Public: An estimated 10 respondents.

Frequency: This information is collected on occasion.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: Approximately 18.6 hours per response.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: An estimated 2,567 hours annually.

Abstract: The FAA has imposed requirements for obtaining an Experimental Permit as required by the Commercial Space Launch Amendments Act of 2004. This rulemaking established requirements for the FAA’s new authority to issue Experimental Permits for reusable...