findings and recommendations as it deems appropriate.

The Secretary has appointed Joseph Lake, a retired U.S. ambassador, as Chair of the Board. He will be assisted by Robert Byrson, Lewis Atherton, Barbara Martin, Wayne Rychak and by the Executive Secretary to the Board, Linda Hartley. They bring to their deliberations distinguished backgrounds in government service and/or the private sector.

The Board will submit its conclusions and recommendations to Secretary Clinton within 60 days of its first meeting, unless the Chair determines a need for additional time. Appropriate action will be taken and reports submitted to Congress on any recommendations made by the Board.

Anyone with information relevant to the Board’s examination of these incidents should contact the Board promptly at (202) 647–5204 or send a fax to the Board at (202) 647–3282.

This notice shall be published in the Federal Register.

Dated: October 8, 2010.

Patrick F. Kennedy,
Under Secretary for Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration


Reports, Forms, and Recordkeeping Requirements

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Request for extension of a currently approved collection of information.

SUMMARY: Before a Federal agency can collect certain information from the public, it must receive approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Under procedures established by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before seeking OMB approval, Federal agencies must solicit public comment on proposed collections of information, including extensions and reinstatement of previously approved collections. This document describes one collection of information for which NHTSA intends to seek OMB approval.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 21, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Comments must refer to the docket notice numbers cited at the beginning of this notice and be submitted to Docket Management, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590, by any of the following methods.

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.


• Fax: (202) 493–2251.

• Mail: Docket Management Facility; U. S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590.

• Hand Delivery/Courier: 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 am and 5 pm, Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. Telephone: 1–800–647–5527.

Instructions: All submissions must include the agency name and docket number for this proposed collection of information. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to http://dms.dot.gov including any personal information provided. Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to http://dms.dot.gov at any time or to Room W12–140 on the ground level of the DOT Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 am and 5 pm, Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Complete copies of each request for collection of information may be obtained at no charge from Mr. Hisham Mohamed, NHTSA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building, Room # W43–437, NVS–131, Washington, DC 20590. Mr. Mohamed’s telephone number is (202) 366–0307. Please identify the relevant collection of information by referring to its OMB Control Number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before an agency submits a proposed collection of information to OMB for approval, it must first publish a document in the Federal Register providing a 60–day comment period and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information.


DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 7213]

Notice Convening an Accountability Review Board To Examine the Circumstances of the Death of Three DoD Personnel Assigned to the U.S. Embassy’s Office of Defense Representative Pakistan (ODRP) on February 3, 2010

Pursuant to Section 301 of the Omnibus Diplomatic Security and Antiterrorism Act of 1986, as amended (22 U.S.C. 4831 et seq.), the Secretary of State has determined that a recent attack on three Department of Defense personnel assigned to the U.S. Embassy’s Office of Defense Representative Pakistan (ODRP) involved loss of life that was at or related to a U.S. mission abroad. Therefore, the Secretary has convened an Accountability Review Board to examine the facts and the circumstances of the attacks and to report to me such
The OMB has promulgated regulations describing what must be included in such a document. Under OMB’s regulation (at 5 CFR 1320.8(d)), an agency must ask for public comment 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;

(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.

In compliance with these requirements, NHTSA asks for public comments on the following proposed collections of information:

Title: 49 CFR 575.104; Uniform Tire Quality Grading Standard.

OMB Control Number: 2127–0519.

Affected Public: All passenger car tire manufacturers and brand name owners offering passenger car tires for sale in the United States.

Form Number: The collection of this information uses no standard form.

Abstract: Part 575 requires tire manufacturers and tire brand owners to submit reports to NHTSA regarding the UTQGS grades of all passenger car tire lines they offer for sale in the United States. This information is used by consumers of passenger car tires to compare tire quality in making their purchase decisions. The information is provided in several different ways to ensure that the consumer can readily see and understand the tire grade: (1) The grades are molded into the sidewall of the tire so that they can be reviewed on both the new tire and the old tire that is being replaced; (2) a paper label is affixed to the tread face of the new tire that provides the grade of that particular tire line along with an explanation of the grading system; (3) tire manufacturers provide dealers with brochures for public distribution listing the grades of all of the tires they offer for sale; and (4) NHTSA compiles the grading information of all manufacturers’ tire lines into a booklet that is available to the public both in printed form and on the Web site.

Estimated Annual Burden: NHTSA estimates that a total of 88,320 man-hours are required to write the brochures, engrave the new passenger car tire molds, and affix the paper labels to the tires. Based on an average hourly rate of $22 per hour for rubber workers in the United States, the cost to the manufacturers is $1,943,040 to perform those items listed above. The largest portion of the cost burden imposed by the UTQGS Program arises from the testing necessary to determine the grades that should be assigned to the tires. An average of 125 convosys, driven 7,200 miles each, consisting of four vehicles and four drivers, are run each year for treadwear testing. NHTSA estimates it costs $0.60 per vehicle mile including salaries, overhead and reports. This brings the annual treadwear testing cost to $2,160,000. For the traction testing, it is estimated that 1,750 tires are tested annually with an estimated cost of $38,500 for use of the government test facility. Using a factor of 3.5 times to cover salary and overhead of test contractors, the estimated cost of traction testing is $134,750. A separate temperature grade testing for tires is required, since the test is no more an extension of the high speed performance test of 49 CFR § 571.109 which was required for safety certification. Section 571.109 is replaced by § 571.139, which has different test speeds. For the temperature testing, it is estimated that 1,750 tires are tested annually with an estimated average cost per test of $423. Therefore, the estimated UTQGS temperature annual testing is $740,250. Thus the total estimated cost for UTQGS testing is $3,035,000. The cost of printing the tread labels is approximately $21,340,000 and the estimate for printing brochures is at $999,000. This yields a total annual financial burden of approximately $25,374,000 (approximately $25.5 million) on the tire manufacturers.

Estimated Annual Burden to the Government: The estimated annual cost of UTQGS to the Federal government is $1,278,000. The cost consists of approximately $152,000 for data management, $730,000 for enforcement testing, and about $396,000 for general administration of the program.

Number of Respondents: There are approximately 160 individual tire brands sold in the United States. The actual number of respondents is much less than 160 due to company acquisitions, mergers, and in most cases, the manufacturer will report for the various individual brand names that they produce tires for. The actual number of respondents is approximately 45 individual responses.

Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department’s estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Issued on: October 19, 2010.
Joseph S. Carra,
Acting Associate Administrator for Rulemaking.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE–2010–47]

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petition for exemption received.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of 14 CFR part 43. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public’s awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA’s regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received on or before November 1, 2010.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments identified by Docket Number FAA–2010–1057 using any of the following methods:

• Government-wide rulemaking Web site: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.

• Mail: Send comments to the Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590.

• Fax: Fax comments to the Docket Management Facility at 202–493–2251.