

the driver looking at a device, manipulating a device-related control with the driver's hand, and watching for visual feedback).

The proposed NHTSA Guidelines list certain secondary, non-driving related tasks that, based on NHTSA's research, are believed by the agency to interfere inherently with a driver's ability to safely control the vehicle. The Guidelines recommend that those in-vehicle devices be designed so that they cannot be used by the driver to perform such tasks while the driver is driving. For all other secondary, non-driving-related visual-manual tasks, the NHTSA Guidelines specify a test method for measuring the impact of performing those tasks on driving safety and time-based acceptance criteria for assessing whether a task interferes too much with driver attention to be suitable to be performed while driving. If a task does not meet the acceptance criteria, the NHTSA Guidelines recommend that in-vehicle devices be designed so that the task cannot be performed by the driver while driving.

In addition to identifying inherently distracting tasks and providing a means for measuring and evaluating the level of distraction associated with other non-driving-related tasks, the NHTSA Guidelines set forth several design recommendations for in-vehicle devices in order to minimize their potential for distraction.

The proposed NHTSA Guidelines were published in the **Federal Register** on February 24, 2012 (77 FR 11200) and are available on the Web pages listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** and also in the rulemaking docket. The notice is also available at http://www.nhtsa.gov/staticfiles/rulemaking/pdf/Distractio_nPPFG-02162012.pdf.

Background information concerning the proposal in particular and the problem of distracted driving in general is available at <http://www.nhtsa.gov/About+NHTSA/Press+Releases/2012/U.S.+Department+of+Transportation+Proposes+Distraction+Guidelines+for+Automakers> and at <http://www.distraction.gov/>.

The purpose of the public technical workshop is to provide interested parties with an opportunity to discuss issues relevant to the technical aspects of NHTSA's Visual-Manual Driver Distraction Guidelines. The workshop will include brief NHTSA presentations outlining the content and basis of the proposed Guidelines. The workshop will be held in a lab environment.

Technical Workshop Procedures.

Because the technical workshop will be

located in a lab environment, NHTSA requests that the number of those attending from each affiliation be held to a minimum. For security purposes, photo identification is required to enter NHTSA's Vehicle Research and Test Center.

NHTSA will conduct the workshop informally. Thus, technical rules of evidence will not apply. There will be an opportunity for attendees to make presentations and ask NHTSA staff questions related to the technical aspects of the proposed Guidelines.

Once NHTSA establishes how many people have registered to make presentations at the workshop, we will allocate an appropriate amount of time to each participant, allowing time for necessary breaks. In addition, we will reserve a block of time for anyone else in the audience who wants to make a presentation.

For planning purposes, each speaker should anticipate speaking for approximately 15–20 minutes, although we may need to shorten that time if there is a large turnout. We will accommodate your requested presentation time to the extent we can, consistent with the other requests we receive. We request that you bring three copies of your statement or other material (e.g., film clips and slides) so that it can be placed into the docket.

If you plan to use technological aids (e.g., audio-visuals, computer slideshows), you must notify the contact person in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section above in advance of the meeting and make advance arrangements with that person regarding the use of any aids in order to facilitate set-up.

Presenters wishing to provide supplementary information should submit it by the April 24th deadline for written comments. Written statements and supporting information submitted during the comment period will be considered with the same weight as oral comments and supporting information presented at the technical workshop.

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David L. Strickland,

Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA–2011–0342]

Pipeline Safety: Information Collection Activities

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: On December 27, 2011, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, PHMSA published a notice with request for comments in the **Federal Register** (76 FR 81013). The notice regards the renewal of an information collection titled, “Gas Pipeline Safety Program Certification and Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Safety Program Certification,” and identified under Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number 2137–0584. PHMSA received no comments on the notice and is now forwarding the information collection request to OMB for approval and providing an additional 30 days for comments.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 16, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the burden estimate, including suggestions for reducing the burden, directly to OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: Desk Officer for the U.S. Department of Transportation (PHMSA), 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Angela Dow by telephone at 202–366–1246, by fax at 202–366–4566, or by mail at DOT, PHMSA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., PHP–30, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 1320.8(d), Title 5, Code of Federal Regulations, requires PHMSA to provide interested members of the public and affected agencies an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping requests. This notice identifies an information collection request that PHMSA will be submitting to OMB for renewal titled, “Gas Pipeline Safety Program Certification and Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Safety Program Certification” (OMB control number 2137–0584).

PHMSA notes that the **Federal Register** notice published on December 27, 2011, contained a clerical error. Specifically, the notice inadvertently

identified the burden hour estimated for the information collection at “3,820”. As reflected in this notice, the correct burden hour estimate for the information collection is “3,920”.

The following information is provided for the information collection: (1) Title of the information collection; (2) OMB control number; (3) Current expiration date; (4) Type of request; (5) Abstract of the information collection activity; (6) Description of affected public; (7) Estimate of total annual reporting and recordkeeping burden; and (8) Frequency of collection. PHMSA will request a three-year term of approval for the information collection activity. PHMSA requests comments on the following information collection:

Title: Gas Pipeline Safety Program Certification and Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Safety Program Certification.

OMB control number: 2137–0584.

Current Expiration Date: 6/30/2012.

Abstract: A state must submit an annual certification to assume responsibility for regulating intrastate pipelines, and certain records must be maintained to demonstrate that the state is ensuring satisfactory compliance with the pipeline safety regulations. PHMSA uses this information to evaluate a state’s eligibility for Federal grants.

Affected Public: State and local governments.

Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:

Total Annual Responses: 67.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 3,920.

Frequency of Collection: Annual.

Comments are invited on:

(a) The need for the proposed collection of information 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 the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques.

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John A. Gale,

Director, Office of Standards and Rulemaking.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

Notice of Application for Special Permits

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), DOT.

ACTION: List of Applications for Special Permits.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the procedures governing the application for, and the processing of, special permits from the Department of Transportation’s Hazardous Material

Regulations (49 CFR part 107, subpart B), notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has received the application described herein. Each mode of transportation for which a particular special permit is requested is indicated by a number in the “Nature of Application” portion of the table below as follows: 1—Motor vehicle, 2—Rail freight, 3—Cargo vessel, 4—Cargo aircraft only, 5—Passenger-carrying aircraft.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 16, 2012.

ADDRESSES: *Address Comments To:* Record Center, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Washington, DC 20590. Comments should refer to the application number and be submitted in triplicate. If confirmation of receipt of comments is desired, include a self-addressed stamped postcard showing the special permit number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the applications are available for inspection in the Records Center, East Building, PHH–30, 1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast, Washington DC or at <http://regulations.gov>.

This notice of receipt of applications for special permit is published in accordance with Part 107 of the Federal hazardous materials transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5117(b); 49 CFR 1.53(b)).

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Donald Burger,

Chief, General Approvals and Permits.

Applicant No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of special permits thereof
New Special Permits				
15547–N		Southern California Edison (SCE) Chino, CA.	49 CFR 172.101 Column (9B), 172.204(c)(3), 173.27(b)(2) and 175.30(a)(1) in that the explosives are forbidden by cargo aircraft.	To authorize the transportation in commerce of certain forbidden explosives in sling load operations in remote areas of the US without being subject to hazard communication requirements, quantity limitations, and certain loading and stowage requirements. (mode 4)
15559–N		Colorado Mountain Helicopters, LLC dba New Air Helicopters Logan, UT.	49 CFR 49 CFR 172.101 Column (9B), 172.200, 172.204 (c)(3), 172.301 (c), 173.27 (b)(2), 175.30 (a)(1), 175.33, 175.75, 178.	To authorize the transportation in commerce of certain forbidden explosives in sling load operations in remote areas of the US without being subject to hazard communication requirements, quantity limitations, and certain loading and stowage requirements. (mode 4)
15566–N		Lake and Peninsula Airlines, Inc. Port Alsworth, AK.	49 CFR 173.302(f)(3) and (f)(4).	To authorize the transportation in commerce of certain cylinders of compressed oxygen, when no other practical means of transportation exist, without their outer packaging being capable of passing the Flame Penetration and Resistance Test and the Thermal Resistance Test. (modes 4, 5)
15568–N		ATK Launch Systems Corinne, UT.	49 CFR 172.101(b)	To authorize the transportation in commerce soils containing solid explosive compounds (not greater than 3%) in bulk. (mode 1)