

Special Order.<sup>59</sup> The repair remedy purports to address the noncompliances with the stopping distance and master cylinder reservoir requirements, which are the subject of the recalls. The remedy also purports to address the apparent noncompliances NHTSA identified with FMVSS No. 122, S5.1.2.2, *Reservoir labeling*, and FMVSS No. 122, S5.1.3.1, *Failure indicator lamp*, despite the fact that ZAP has never submitted a Part 573 Report acknowledging the MY 2008 ZAP Xebra is noncompliant with those provisions. However, ZAP's procedures to address the reservoir labeling and the failure indicator lamp do not satisfy the requirements of FMVSS No. 122.<sup>60</sup> Moreover, ZAP has failed to provide notifications to NHTSA and to owners, purchasers, and dealers of these noncompliances as required by 49 U.S.C. 30118 and 49 CFR Parts 573 and 577.<sup>61</sup>

Furthermore, ZAP proposes to remedy the vehicles by either sending each customer an installation kit or having the customer send the vehicle to ZAP, to have ZAP complete the installation of the remedy.<sup>62</sup> Thus, an owner would either need to bring its vehicle to Santa Rosa, California (where ZAP is located), or install the remedy based on ZAP's kit.<sup>63</sup> The procedures for the repair remedy are over twenty pages long and require, among other things, placing the

<sup>59</sup> ZAP, Response to Special Order, Sch. A–B (July 30, 2012).

<sup>60</sup> The reservoir labeling is not worded as required by FMVSS No. 122, S5.1.2.2. See ZAP, Response to Special Order, Sch. B at 10. It also appears that the labeling may not be permanently affixed, as required. See KARCO, Response to Special Order, Ex. Test Report for ZAP Jonway, 2008 ZAP Xebra at A6 (test date: May 16, 2012–June 27, 2012) (showing peeling label). The failure indicator lamp also does not have the legend “Brake Failure,” as required by FMVSS No. 122, S1.3.1(d). See KARCO, Response to Special Order, Ex. KARCO 036–KARCO 037 (July 30, 2010) (photographs produced for “May 2012 Testing”). According to KARCO, the lamp's lettering also does not comply with the height requirements of the Standard. KARCO, Response to Special Order, Ex. Test Report for ZAP Jonway, 2008 ZAP Xebra at 3, 10 (test date: May 16, 2012–June 27, 2012).

<sup>61</sup> The potential penalty for each violation of such requirements is \$6,000. 49 U.S.C. 30165(a)(1); 49 CFR 578.6.

<sup>62</sup> See Recall No. 12V–230, Part 573 Report § VI (prepared May 18, 2012); Recall No. 12V–363, Part 573 Report § VI (prepared July 18, 2012).

<sup>63</sup> This conflicts with the notifications sent to owners, which told owners: “Please contact your ZAP/Voltage Vehicles dealer as soon as possible to arrange a service date so the dealer may order the necessary parts for the repair \* \* \* Your ZAP/Voltage Vehicles dealer is best equipped to obtain parts and provide service to ensure that your vehicle is corrected as promptly as possible.” ZAP, Response to Special Order, Sch. D–E (July 30, 2012). While there was no mention of a repair kit in the owner letters, ZAP indicated that it sent 56 kits out to customers. See ZAP, Response to Special Order, Interrogatory No. 7 (July 30, 2012).

vehicle on a car lift and removing all of its wheels, removing and replacing brake reservoirs, removing and replacing brake pressure sensors, replacing brake lines, replacing brake pads, installing a proportioning valve, and rewiring brake sensors and floats.<sup>64</sup>

Over three years has passed since ZAP initially recalled the MY 2008 ZAP Xebra. Although ZAP continues to elect a repair remedy, it has failed to successfully repair any vehicles. Moreover, contrary to its representation, under oath, in response to NHTSA's Special Order, ZAP has provided no evidence that it has developed a repair remedy that would bring the recalled vehicles into full compliance with FMVSS No. 122.

#### V. Decision to Conduct a Public Hearing

NHTSA has decided that it is necessary to conduct a public hearing to decide whether ZAP has reasonably met the notification and remedy requirements under 49 U.S.C. 30118 and 30120. See 49 U.S.C. 30118(e), 30120(e); 49 CFR 557.6(d), 557.7. NHTSA will conduct the public hearing in the Oklahoma City room of the U.S. Department of Transportation Conference Center, located on the first floor of the West Building at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. Any interested person may make written and/or oral presentations of information, views, and arguments on whether ZAP has reasonably met the notification and/or remedy requirements. There will be no cross-examination of witnesses. 49 CFR 557.7.

NHTSA will consider the views of participants in deciding whether ZAP has reasonably met the notification and/or remedy requirements under 49 U.S.C. 30118 and 30120, and in developing the terms of an order (if any) requiring ZAP to take specified action as the remedy for the noncompliances and/or take other action. 49 U.S.C. 30118(e), 30120(e); 49 CFR 557.8.

*Procedural Matters:* Interested persons may participate in these proceedings through written and/or oral presentations. Persons wishing to attend must notify Sabrina Fleming, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590 (Telephone: 202–366–9896) (Fax: 202–366–3081), before the close of business on October 2, 2012 (and September 28, 2012 for non-U.S. citizens). Each person wishing to attend must provide his or her name and country of citizenship. Non-U.S. citizens must also provide date of birth,

<sup>64</sup> ZAP, Response to Special Order, Sch. B (July 30, 2012).

title or position, and passport or diplomatic ID number, along with expiration date. Each person wishing to make an oral presentation must also specify the amount of time that the presentation is expected to last, his or her organizational affiliation, phone number, and email address. NHTSA will prepare a schedule of presentations. Depending upon the number of persons who wish to make oral presentations and the anticipated length of those presentations, NHTSA may add an additional day or days to the hearing, and/or may limit the length of oral presentations.

The hearing will be held at a site accessible to individuals with disabilities. Individuals who require accommodations, such as sign language interpreters, should contact Ms. Kerry Kolodziej using the contact information in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section above no later than September 28, 2012. A transcript of the proceedings will be placed in the docket for this notice at a later date.

Persons who wish to file written comments should submit them so that they are received by NHTSA no later than October 2, 2012. Instructions on how to submit written comments to the docket is located under the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 30118(e), 30120(e); 49 CFR 557.6(d), 557.7; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.95(a), 501.2(a)(1), and 49 CFR 501.8.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

September 10, 2012.

The Department of the Treasury will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13, on or after the date of publication of this notice.

**DATES:** Comments should be received on or before October 15, 2012 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments regarding the burden estimate, or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestion for reducing the burden, to (1) Office of Information and Regulatory

Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for Treasury, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, or email at [OIRA\\_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV](mailto:OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV) and (2) Treasury PRA Clearance Officer, 1750 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Suite 8140, Washington, DC 20220, or at [PRA@treasury.gov](mailto:PRA@treasury.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 927-5331, email at [PRA@treasury.gov](mailto:PRA@treasury.gov), or the entire information collection request maybe found at [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov).

#### Bureau of the Public Debt (BPD)

*OMB Number:* 1535-0004.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

*Title:* Special Form of Request for Payment of U.S. Savings and Retirement Securities Where Use of a Detached Request is Authorized.

*Form:* PD F 1522 E.

*Abstract:* The information is requested to establish ownership and request for payment of United States Savings Bonds, Savings Notes, Retirement Plan Bonds, and Individual Retirement Bonds.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 14,000.

*OMB Number:* 1535-0014.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

*Title:* Claim for Lost, Stolen or Destroyed United States Registered Securities.

*Form:* PD F 1025 E.

*Abstract:* The information is requested to establish ownership and support a request for relief due to the loss, theft, or destruction of United States Registered Securities.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 460.

*OMB Number:* 1535-0015.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

*Title:* Report/Application for Relief on Account of Loss, Theft or Destruction of U.S. Bearer Securities (Organizations).

*Form:* PD F 1022 E.

*Abstract:* The information is requested to establish ownership and support a request for relief due to the loss, theft, or destruction of United States Bearer Securities.

*Affected Public:* Private Sector: Businesses or other for-profits.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 92.

*OMB Number:* 1535-0016.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

*Title:* Report/Application for Relief on Account of Loss, Theft, or Destruction of U.S. Bearer Securities (Individuals).

*Form:* PD F 1022-1 E.

*Abstract:* The information is requested to establish ownership and support a request for relief due to the loss, theft, or destruction of United States Bearer Securities owned by individuals.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 92.

*OMB Number:* 1535-0048.

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Title:* Certificate of Identity.

*Form:* PD F 0385 E.

*Abstract:* The information is requested to establish the identity of the owner of U.S. Savings Securities in a claim for payment by a disinterested person.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 835.

*OMB Number:* 1535-0064.

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Title:* Description of United States Savings Bonds Series HH/H and Description of United States Bonds/Notes.

*Form:* PD F 2490 E, 1980 E.

*Abstract:* The information collected is necessary to obtain information describing an owner's holding of United States Securities.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 800.

*OMB Number:* 1535-0067.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

*Title:* Affidavit of Forgery for United States Savings Bonds.

*Form:* PD F 0974 E.

*Abstract:* The information is requested to establish whether the registered owner signed the request for payment or if the signature was a forgery.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 625.

*OMB Number:* 1535-0100.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

*Title:* Affidavit by Individual Surety.

*Form:* PD F 4094 E.

*Abstract:* The information is requested to support a request to serve

as surety for an indemnification agreement on a Bond of Indemnity.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 460.

**Robert Dahl,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0741]

### Proposed Information Collection (VA Subcontracting Report for Service Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business and Veteran-Owned Small Business Concerns) Activity; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to collect information from subcontractors to compare information obtained from subcontracting plans submitted by prime contractors in order to determine the accuracy of the data reported by prime contractors.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before November 13, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov); or Mark J. Taylor (00SB), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420 or email: [mark.taylor@va.gov](mailto:mark.taylor@va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0741" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.