of the equipment requiring Blue Signal Protection if the speed within the area is restricted to not more than 5 mph.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA–2012–0071]

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that by a document dated September 4, 2012, Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority (CMTY) has petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations at 49 CFR part 222. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA–2012–0071.

CMTY, with the support of the City of Austin, TX, is seeking a waiver from the requirements of 49 CFR 222.21(a) that require CMTY trains to sound their locomotive horn in a specific manner (two long, one short, and one long blast) as they approach and enter public highway-rail grade crossings. Specifically, CMTY requests that it is granted permission to sound the engine bell in lieu of the horn as trains approach the public highway-rail grade crossing at Red River Street (USDOT #765738S). The grade crossing in question is a single-track grade crossing located within yard limits on CMTY. The petition letter indicates that from March 10, 2012, CMTY has operated over 16,000 trains through the Red River intersection without any reported incidents involving trains, pedestrians, or automobiles. CMTY states that it is requesting this waiver to provide noise relief to downtown residents, convention center visitors, the adjacent hotel, and downtown businesses, while maintaining the safety of an audible warning by ringing the bell.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA–2012–0069]

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that by a document dated July 26,
2012, Midwest Rail d.b.a. Toledo Lake Erie and Western Railway (TLEW) has petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR part 223—Safety Glazing Standards—Locomotives, Passenger Cars and Cabooses. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA–2012–0083.

Specifically, TLEW seeks a waiver of compliance from the requirements of 49 CFR 223.11—Rail requirements for existing locomotives and 49 CFR 223.13—Requirements for existing cabooses. TLEW has petitioned FRA for a waiver for one American Locomotive Company Model S–4, 1000-horsepower diesel electric locomotive numbered 5109 (TLEW 5109). This locomotive was built for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad in 1954. The locomotive is equipped with standard window material that is shatter resistant. All windows of TLEW 5109 are in excellent shape with unobstructed visibility. The locomotive will be used for both excursion passenger and freight service.

TLEW also seeks a waiver for Caboose TLEW 475, which is a steel caboose, Association of American Railroads-type M930, built in 1962, and equipped with shatter-resistant glazing. The existing window framing on this caboose is not compatible with the required FRA Type I and II glazing. Other than the glazing, the caboose meets all other FRA safety requirements. The caboose will be used for both excursion passenger and freight trains where excursion movements are required. It will provide a safe platform for crewmembers to ride and protect the movements through the rural and wooded areas of operation.

Midwest Rail is committed to operating freight and tourist/excursion rail service from Waterville, Milepost (MP) 13.2, to Grand Rapids, OH, MP 25.0, and then return; a one-way distance of 11.8 miles. The line is located in a rural area, between the communities of Waterville and Grand Rapids, with a combined population of less than 7,000. There are no overhead bridge structures or areas of elevation along the railroad that would allow objects to be thrown from above. Based on historical information provided from the prior operator of this line, there have been no reports of vandalism, objects thrown, or other acts of malicious destruction to railroad equipment during operation in the last 10 years. The maximum authorized speed for freight and excursion movements will not exceed 15 mph. Locomotive TLEW 5109 is primarily used in yard switching service. TLEW states that the railroad is private and does not currently operate any trains.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA–2012–0059]

Request for Comments on a Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection: Production Plan Reports

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

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

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 is being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comments. A Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following information collection was published on June 12, 2012 (77 FR 35110). No comments were received.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before December 21, 2012.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:


OMB Control Number: 2127–0655.

Type of Request: Renewal of a previously approved information collection.

Abstract: In this collection of information, NHTSA is requesting updated future product plans from vehicle manufacturers, as well as production data through the recent past, including data about engines and transmissions for model year MY 2012 through MY 2025 passenger cars and light trucks and the assumptions underlying those plans.

NHTSA requests information for MYs 2012–2025 to aid NHTSA in developing a realistic forecast of the MY 2016–2025 vehicle market. Information regarding earlier model years may help the agency to better account for cumulative effects such as volume and time-based