DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 9320]

Advisory Committee on Public-Private Partnerships; Notice of the Intent To Establish an Advisory Committee

This is notice of the intent to establish the Advisory Committee on Public-Private Partnerships. The Committee will serve the United States government in a solely advisory capacity concerning the development of public-private partnerships that promote shared value with the private sector worldwide. Functions will include, but will not be limited to, providing information and advice on how the Department of State can effectively explore and form public-private partnerships with the private sector on foreign policy issues, and reviewing and recommending public-private partnership opportunities for advancing foreign policy objectives. The Department of State affirms that establishment of the Committee is necessary and in the public interest.

The Committee will consult with other interested parties, agencies, and interagency committees and groups of the United States Government, foreign governments, and with national and international private sector organizations and individuals, as the Department of State and the Committee decides are necessary or desirable.

The Committee will be comprised of up to twenty-five distinguished citizens from the private sector, including leaders of for-profit businesses who are in a senior management role or who lead corporate social responsibility units; academics, scientists and innovators; diaspora, faith-based and community organizations; foundations and philanthropic organizations; and non-governmental organizations, providing the Secretary with a fresh perspective and insight apart from and independent of the State Department organization. It will not perform the function of any existing Department staff or committee.

For further information, please contact the Committee’s Designated Federal Officer, Thomas Debass, at DebassT@state.gov.

Dated: October 14, 2015.

Thomas Debass,
Deputy Special Representative for Global Partnerships, Department of State.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration
[Docket Number FRA–2009–0124]

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this provides the public notice that by a document dated September 22, 2015, the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (JPB) has petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a modification to its existing waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR part 238. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA–2009–0124.

JPB, located in San Carlos, CA, seeks an amendment to its permanent waiver of compliance from 49 CFR 238.203, Static end strength, 238.205, Anti-climbing mechanism, and 238.207, Link between coupling mechanism and car body. JPB is considering purchasing non-FRA-compliant electric multiple unit (EMU) vehicles, constructed to European safety standards, for its Caltrain commuter rail service between San Francisco and Gilroy, CA. JPB seeks to amend two of the nine conditions specified in FRA’s waiver decision letter dated May 27, 2010.

Specifically, JPB requests that Condition 1 (that EMUs that are the subject of this waiver meet or exceed the crashworthiness performance levels identified and presented in the petition) be modified to align with proposed rule text for alternatively compliant Tier I equipment developed through the Railroad Safety Advisory Committee and its Engineering Task Force. Secondly, JPB requests removal of Condition 7 (that JPB submit a comprehensive temporal separation plan to FRA for approval before the EMUs are operated).

JPB states that the proposed rule text does not require temporal separation because trains built to these new rules are considered as safe or safer in collisions than trains built to current Federal standards. In addition, JPB states that it is currently implementing Positive Train Control and new EMUs will be compatible with the system, thereby reducing the risk of an impact between freight and passenger trains.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation’s (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W12–140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket
Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA–2004–20000) and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- Web site: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- Hand Delivery: 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Communications received by December 4, 2015 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL–14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at www.dot.gov/privacy. See also http://www.regulations.gov/#/privacyNotice for the privacy notice of regulations.gov.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 15, 2015.

Ron Hynes, Director, Office of Technical Oversight.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, 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 Abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The nature of the information collection is described as well as its expected burden. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on July 28, 2015, and comments were due by September 28, 2015. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments for this notice must be submitted on or before November 19, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding these information collections to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 Seventeenth Street NW., Washington, DC 20503. Attention: MARAD Desk Officer. Alternatively, comments may be sent via email to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), Office of Management and Budget, at the following address: oira.submissions@omb.eop.gov.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maritime Administration (MARAD).

Title: Request for Transfer of Ownership, Registry, and Flag, or Charter, Lease, or Mortgage of U.S.-Citizen Owned Documented Vessels. OMB Control Number: 2133–0006.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Vessel owners who have applied for foreign transfer of U.S.-flag vessels.

Forms: MA–29, MA–29A, MA–29B (Note: MA–29A is used only in cases of a National emergency).

Abstract: This collection provides information necessary for MARAD to approve the sale, transfer, charter, lease, or mortgage of U.S. documented vessels to non-citizens, or the transfer of such vessels to foreign registry and flag, or the transfer of foreign flag vessels by their owners as required by various contractual requirements. The information will enable MARAD to determine whether the vessel proposed for transfer will initially require retention under the U.S.-flag statutory regulations.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 170 hours.

Comments Are Invited On: (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (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 respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Authority: 49 CFR 1:93.

Dated: October 5, 2015.

T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr., Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Revision; Comment Request; Annual Company-Run Stress Test Reporting Template and Documentation for Covered Institutions With Total Consolidated Assets of $10 Billion to $50 Billion Under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act

AGENCY: Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The OCC, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on this continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information and to allow 60 days for