to the corridor are considered necessary to provide for existing and projected traffic demand and system linkage.

A Reevaluation of the 2003 Record of Decision (ROD) had recently been initiated and was anticipated to include follow-up to the 21 Commitments in the ROD. In consideration of input from the community, various refinements to the approved alternative are being evaluated. Preparation of a supplement to the EIS has been determined to be the appropriate documentation of the potential refinements.

Considerations include (1) constructing the approved alternative as described in the ROD and (2) incorporation of refinements to the approved alternative. Updated information on the effects of the approved alternative will be incorporated into and studied with any refinements.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies and will be posted on the project Web site for public comment. Public involvement activities have been on-going, including two public meetings recently held. Additional public involvement activities, including a public meeting, will be held in Lafayette between June 2016 and the conclusion of this study. In addition, a public hearing will be held. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the meeting and hearing. The draft supplemental EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing. No formal scoping meeting will be held.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above. (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research, Planning, and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

Issued on: June 14, 2016.

Charles Bolinger,
Division Administrator, Baton Rouge.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
[Docket No. FMCSA–2015–0436]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection Request: Financial Responsibility for Motor Carriers of Passengers and Motor Carriers of Property

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FMCSA announces its plan to submit the Information Collection Request (ICR) described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The FMCSA and the public use the information (which is currently being collected) to verify that a motor carrier of property or passengers has obtained, and has in effect, the required minimum levels of financial responsibility. Statute mandates that motor carriers maintain proof of the required financial responsibility at their principal places of business, available upon request of an FMCSA safety investigator during compliance reviews. Insurance Endorsements and Surety Bonds are considered public information and must be produced by a motor carrier of passengers for review upon reasonable request by a member of the public.

DATES: Please send your comments on or before July 21, 2016. OMB must receive your comments by this date in order to act quickly on the ICR.

ADDRESSES: All comments should reference Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Docket Number FMCSA–2015–0436. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the attention of the Desk Officer, Department of Transportation/Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and sent via electronic mail to oira_submission@omb.eop.gov, or faxed to (202) 395–6974, or mailed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Tura Gatling, Registration, Licensing, and Insurance Division, Office of Registration and Safety Information, Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, West Building 6th Floor, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202–385–2415; email: tura.gatling@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Financial Responsibility for Motor Carriers of Passengers and Motor Carriers of Property.

OMB Control Number: 2126–0008.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently-approved information collection.

Respondents: Insurance and surety companies of motor carriers of property (Forms MCS–90 and MCS–82) and motor carriers of passengers (Forms MCS–90B and MCS–82B).

Estimated Number of Respondents: 8,004 (896 insurers for IC1 + 896 insurers for IC2 + 231 insurers for IC3 + 231 insurers for IC4 + 5,750 carriers for IC5 (Canada: 111 passenger carriers + 2,716 property carriers) + (Mexico & NNA: 2 passenger carriers + 2,921 property carriers))

Estimated Time per Response: The FMCSA estimates it takes two minutes to complete the Endorsement for Motor Carrier Policies of Insurances for Public Liability or the Motor Carrier Public Liability Surety Bond; and one minute to place either document on board the vehicle [49 CFR 387.7(f)(property); 387.31(f)(passengers)]. These endorsements and surety bonds are maintained at the motor carrier’s principal place of business [49 CFR 387.7(d); 49 CFR 387.31(d)]

Expiration Date: June 30, 2016.

Frequency of Response: Upon creation, change or replacement of an insurance policy or surety bond.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 4,777 hours [4,065 annual burden hours for ICs 1–4 + 712 annual burden hours for IC–5 document replacement = 4,777].

Background: The Secretary of Transportation is responsible for implementing regulations which establish minimal levels of financial responsibility for: (1) For-hire motor carriers of property to cover public liability, property damage and environmental restoration, and (2) for-hire motor carriers of passengers to cover public liability and property damage. The Endorsement for Motor Carrier Policies of Insurance for Public Liability (Forms MCS–90/90B) and the Motor Carrier Public Liability Surety Bond (Forms MCS–90B) contain the minimum amount of information necessary to document that a motor
carrier of property or passengers has obtained, and has in effect, the minimum levels of financial responsibility as set forth in applicable regulations (motor carriers of property—49 CFR 387.9; and motor carriers of passengers—49 CFR 387.33). FMCSA and the public can verify that a motor carrier of property or passengers has obtained, and has in effect, the required minimum levels of financial responsibility, by use of the information enclosed within these documents.

On February 25, 2016, FMCSA published a notice in the Federal Register requesting public comments on the “Financial Responsibility for Motor Carriers of Passengers and Motor Carriers of Property” Information Collection Request, OMB Control Number 2126–0008 (81 FR 9582). Two comments were received in response to this notice. FMCSA contacted one of the commenters and determined that the question was about a company-specific FMCSA registration issue unrelated to the notice, which has already been resolved. FMCSA believes the other comment can be interpreted as an advertisement for the commenter’s company, and not a question about the notice.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) whether the proposed collection is necessary for the performance of FMCSA’s functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways for the FMCSA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information.

Issued under the authority delegated in 49 CFR 1.87 on: June 15, 2016.

G. Kelly Regal,
Associate Administrator for Office of Research and Information Technology.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Railroad Administration
[Docket Number FRA–2010–0161]

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 April 8, 2016, the Hoosier Valley Railroad Museum (HVRM), 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, Railroad Safety Glazing Standards. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA–2010–0161.

HVRM has requested a permanent waiver of compliance for one caboose from the requirements of 49 CFR part 223, which requires certified glazing in all windows. HVRM’s five cabooses, B&LE 1989, EL C345, NK & GTW 75072, and EJ&E 184, were previously granted relief from the glazing requirements in FRA’s July 14, 2011, decision letter. Since that time, the glazing requirements have been amended to add provisions for glazing on equipment that is over 50 years of age from its original construction date. Only Caboose EJ&E 184, which was built in 1970, does not meet the 50-year threshold in order to be covered under the recently enacted glazing rule for antiquated equipment. Caboose EJ&E 184 is less than 50 years of age and does not meet the glazing requirements of 49 CFR 223.13, and thus requires regulatory relief to continue in operation.

HVRM is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization located in North Judson, Indiana. It is a member of the Association of Tourist Railroads & Railway Museums, and operates the railroad museum with the mission to preserve railroad history in northwest Indiana. The town of North Judson acquired 33 miles of rail line, purchased in 2004 from CSX Transportation to help maintain a rail corridor for railway excursions provided by HVRM using the heritage equipment. HVRM is all volunteer operated, has 15 or less “hours of service” volunteer workers, and has FRA-approved certification programs for engineers and conductors. HVRM operations/train excursions are conducted primarily on weekends. There are also 10 or less weekday excursions annually for school field trips and community organizations. The town of North Judson contracts with a Class III short line operator, the Chesapeake & Indiana Railroad (CKIN), to maintain the rail line and provide freight service to the rail line customers. The primary freight corridor is Malden to La Crosse to Wellsboro, Indiana. La Crosse contains a wye track used both by HVRM and CKIN for their respective operations. HVRM provides a 30-day advance notice of excursion train schedules to CKIN. Both entities operate under the General Code of Operating Rules and the entire 33-mile rail line is operated under yard limits at speeds not to exceed 20 miles per hour.

HVRM notes that the use of this caboose for tourist, historic, or excursion operations will be on expanded territory as referenced in HVRM’s April 11, 2016, letter assigned to FRA Docket Number FRA–2006–24647. In addition to the 10 miles between North Judson and La Crosse, the caboose will occasionally operate in tourist, excursion, and special event trains as far as Malden, South Thomaston, Hanna, and Wellsboro.

The subject caboose, Eij&E 184, is only operated at limited track speed under yard limits subject to the authority of the CKIN, which is part of the general railroad system. HVRM notes that the installed glass in the subject caboose is in good condition, operations are in a benign environment, and the expense of retrofitting the subject caboose with FRA certified glazing imposes a financial burden.

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 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 the request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:
- **Web site:** http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- **Fax:** 202–493–2251.
- **Mail:** Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W12–140, Washington, DC 20590.
- **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 August 5, 2016 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