

We believe Nissan's estimate of 10 hours is reasonable and we will adopt this estimate burden calculation. Accordingly, we estimate that 850 burden hours are associated with this 60-day interim notification requirement (854 recalls  $\times$  .10 = 85 recalls; 85 recalls times 10 hours per recall = 850 hours).

As for costs associated with notifying owners and purchasers of recalls, we continue to estimate this costs \$1.50 per first class mail notification, on average. This cost estimate includes the costs of printing, mailing, as well as the costs vehicle manufacturers may pay to third-party vendors to acquire the names and addresses of the current registered owners from state and territory departments of motor vehicles. In reviewing recent recall figures, we determined that an estimated 58.4 million letters are mailed yearly totaling \$87,600,000 (\$1.50 per letter  $\times$  58,400,000 letters). The requirement in 49 CFR part 577 for a manufacturer to notify their affected customers within 60 days would add an additional \$8,760,000 (58,400,000 letters  $\times$  .10 requiring interim owner notifications = 5,840,000 letters; 5,840,000  $\times$  \$1.50 = \$8,760,000). In total we estimate that the current 49 CFR part 577 requirements cost manufacturers a total of \$96,360,000 annually (\$87,600,000 owner notification letters + \$8,760,000 interim notification letters = \$96,360,000). Nissan commented that they agree with the Agency's estimate for this cost estimate.

Due to the past burdens associated with the requirement that certain vehicle manufacturers setup VIN Look-up systems for their recalled vehicles, many estimates have been removed from this information collection as these burdens and costs have already occurred. The 49 CFR part 573 and 49 CFR part 577 requirements found in today's notice will require 36,070 hours each year for OMB Control Number 2127-0004, a decrease of 10,068 burden hours from the previously approved collection of 46,138 hours. Additionally, manufacturers impacted by 49 CFR part 573 and 49 CFR part 577 requirements will incur a recurring annual cost estimated at \$96,630,000 total.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** NHTSA receives reports of defect or noncompliance from roughly 275 manufacturers per year. Accordingly, we estimate that there will be approximately 275 manufacturers per year filing defect or noncompliance reports and completing the other information collection responsibilities associated with those filings.

In summary, we estimate that there will be a total of 275 respondents per

year associated with OMB No. 2127-0004.

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Acting Director, Office of Defects Investigation.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA 2016-0094; Notice No. 2016-17]

#### Hazardous Materials: Proposed Termination of EX Classification Approval EX1987030326

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** PHMSA proposes to terminate EX classification approval EX1987030326, issued to BHT Products, Inc. for a Division 4.1 classification. In January and May 2016, PHMSA attempted to contact BHT Products, Inc. via letters delivered by certified mail. These letters requested that BHT Products, Inc. provide PHMSA with background information, such as a copy of the existing lab report and test data to support the classification issued under EX1987030326. To date, PHMSA has not received any correspondence from BHT Products, Inc. concerning EX1987030326.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Ryan Paquet, Director, Approvals and Permits Division, Office of Hazardous Materials Safety, (202) 366-4512, PHMSA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590 or at [explo@dot.gov](mailto:explo@dot.gov).

Correspondence with respect to the EX classification approval EX1987030326 should be sent to [explo@dot.gov](mailto:explo@dot.gov) with a subject line "EX classification approval EX1987030326" and should be in writing; state in detail any alleged errors of fact and law; enclose any additional information needed to support the request; and state in detail the final decision sought.

**Action:** PHMSA will terminate the EX classification approval EX1987030326 thirty (30) days after this notice is published in the **Federal Register**, unless the holder requests reconsideration as outlined in 49 CFR 107.715.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Office of the Secretary

#### Port Performance Freight Statistics Working Group

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS), Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology (OST-R), U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT).

**ACTION:** Port Performance Freight Statistics Working Group: notice of public meeting and public comment period on draft work plan.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces an upcoming meeting of the Port Performance Freight Statistics Working Group (hereafter, "Working Group"). The Working Group will provide advice and recommendations to the BTS Director pursuant to Section 6018 of the *Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act* on matters related to port performance measures, including: (a) Specifications and data measurements to be used in the Port Performance Freight Statistics Program established under subsection 6018(a); and (b) a process for the Department to collect timely and consistent data, including identifying safeguards to protect proprietary information described in subsection 6018(b)(2). The Working Group will operate in accordance with the provisions of the *Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA)* and the rules and regulations issued in implementation of that Act.

This notice also announces the opening of a 14-day public comment period for the Working Group's draft Work Plan, available at [http://www.bts.gov/bts/port\\_performance](http://www.bts.gov/bts/port_performance). This draft Work Plan identifies the schedule, agenda items, and anticipated follow-up actions for each of the Working Group's four meetings.

**DATES:** The Working Group meeting will be held on November 18, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be at the U.S. Department of Transportation; 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. Any person requiring accessibility accommodations should