estimates are based on every eligible respondent submitting the required information for every available grant. However, not all States apply for and receive a grant each year under each of these programs. In addition, under Section 405 grants, some requirements permit States to submit a single application covering multiple years allowing States to simply recertify in subsequent years. Considering the agency’s steps to streamline the current submission process, including increased use of prepopulated information fields in GMSS and greater reliance on electronic submission in general, these estimates represent the highest possible burden hours and costs possible for States submitting the required information.

Please submit any comments, identified by the docket number in the heading of this document, by any of the methods described in the ADDRESSES section of this document. Comments are due by January 26, 2018.


Issued in Washington, DC on November 20, 2017.

Mary D. Gunnels,
Associate Administrator for Regional Operations and Program Delivery.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Agency Information Collection Activity: Notice of Reinstatement To Collect Information: Barrier Failure Reporting in Oil and Gas Operations on the Outer Continental Shelf

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

ACTION: Notice; Reinstatement to Collect Data.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the BTS to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to reinstate previously approved OMB Number 2139–0046 for the following information collection: Barrier Failure Reporting in Oil and Gas Operations on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS). BTS entered into a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) to include an industry-wide repository of equipment failure data, analyze and aggregate information collected under this program, and publish reports that will provide BSEE, the industry, and all OCS stakeholders with essential information about failure types and modes of critical safety barriers for offshore operations related to well control. The data collection effort that is the subject of this notice, addressed the collection of failure data as referenced in recently issued BSEE regulations on (81 FR 25888), April 29, 2016 and (81 FR 61834), September 7, 2016. BTS received permission to collect the data under an emergency OMB control number on September 29, 2016. Through this notice, BTS is requesting permission to reinstate this previously approved OMB control number. This information collection is necessary to aid BSEE, the oil and gas industry, and other stakeholders in identifying barrier failure trends and causes of critical safety barrier failure events.

DATES: Comments must be received by December 27, 2017.

ADDRESSES: BTS seeks public comments on its proposed continuation of information collection. Comments should address whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the estimated burden hours of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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. Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: BTS Desk Officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Demetra V. Collia, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology (OST–R), U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Statistical and Economic Analysis (OSEA), RTS–31, E36–302, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590–0001; Phone No. (202) 366–1610; Fax No. (202) 366–3383; email: demetra.collia@dot.gov. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., EST, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Data Confidentiality Provisions: This data collection is protected under the BTS confidentiality statute (49 U.S.C. 6307(b)) and the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act (CIPSEA) of 2002 (Public Law 107–347, Title V). In accordance with these confidentiality statutes, only statistical and non-identifying data will be made publicly available through reports. Further, BTS will not release to BSEE or any other public or private entity any information that might reveal the identity of individuals or organizations mentioned in SafeOCS reports.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. The Data Collection

The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35; as amended) and 5 CFR part 1320 require each Federal agency to obtain OMB approval to continue an information collection activity. BTS is seeking OMB approval for the following BTS information collection activity:

Title: Barrier Failure Reporting in Oil and Gas Operations on the Outer Continental Shelf.

OMB Control Number: 2139–0046.

Type of Review: Approval of data collection.

Respondents: Oil and Gas Operators on the Outer Continental Shelf.

Number of Respondents: As a request to be authorized repository for previously collected information, BTS has identified BSEE as the sole respondent reporting to BTS at the annual frequency of one.

Estimated Time per Response: 60 minutes.

Frequency: Once.

Total Annual Burden: 1 hour.

BTS has agreed through an MOU with BSEE to undertake the information collection identified in the previously approved BSEE notice for OMB Control Number(s) 1014–0028, expiration 4/30/2019 and the BSEE notice with OMB Control Number 1014–0003, expiration 8/31/2019, to ensure the confidentiality of submissions under CIPSEA. The information collection is limited to the establishment of BTS as an authorized repository. This information collection request does not create any additional burden for respondents.

II. Public Participation and Request for Public Comments

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Bond Guarantee Program

AGENCY: Departmental Offices, U.S. Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury will submit the following information collection requests to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. The public is invited to submit comments on these requests.

DATES: Comments should be received on or before December 27, 2017 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the burden estimate, or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions 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 and (2) Treasury PRA Clearance Officer, 1750 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Suite 8142, Washington, DC 20220, or email at PRA@treasury.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the submissions may be obtained from Jennifer Leonard by emailing PRA@treasury.gov, calling (202) 622–0489, or viewing the entire information collection request at www.reginfo.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Bureau of the Fiscal Service (FS)

Title: Investigative Forms.

OMB Control Number: 1530–0060.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Information requested is in support of background investigations conducted by the Bureau of the Fiscal Service.

 Forms: FS Form 5518, FS Form 5521, FS Form 5520, FS Form 5519

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 125.

Title: Checklists of Filings for Certified Surety and/or Certified Reinsuring Companies and for Admitted Reinsurer Companies.

OMB Control Number: 1530–0061.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: This information is collected by insurance companies to provide Treasury a basis to determine acceptability of companies applying for a Certificate of Authority to write or reinsure Federal surety bonds or as an Admitted Reinsurer (not on excess risks to U.S.).

Forms: None.

AFFECTED PUBLIC: Businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 150.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.


Spencer W. Clark,

Treasury PRA Clearance Officer.

[FR Doc. 2017–25540 Filed 11–24–17; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4810–AS–P