

Delegation of Authority No. 236–3 of August 28, 2000.

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Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. FD 36146]

Bayway Terminal Switching Company, L.L.C.—Modified Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

On September 5, 2017, Bayway Terminal Switching Company, L.L.C. (BTSC),¹ a noncarrier, filed a notice for a modified certificate of public convenience and necessity under 49 CFR pt. 1150 subpart C—*Modified Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity*, to permit BTSC to operate over a rail line owned by the state of New Jersey. The rail line is located between milepost 3.15 (East Linden Avenue) and milepost 4.56 in Union County, NJ (the Line).²

BTSC states that the abandonment of the Line was previously authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission in *Staten Island Railway—Abandonment*, AB 263 (Sub-No. 3) (ICC served Dec. 5, 1991) and *Rahway Valley Railroad—Abandonment—Between Aldene & Summit in Union County, N.J.*, AB 211 (ICC served Aug. 27, 1992).

According to BTSC, it will commence contract carrier switching services for four customers located on the Line pursuant to a Railcar Switching Agreement (Agreement). BTSC states that the four customers are Phillips 66 Company (Phillips), Infineum USA L.P., Veolia North America Regeneration Services, LLC, and Solutia Inc. According to BTSC, it is seeking this modified certificate so that it can provide common carrier switching services should anyone request such service in the future. BTSC states that the Agreement has a term of five years subject to extensions by agreement of the parties. BTSC further states that Phillips is entering into an agreement with the state of New Jersey, which will give Phillips custody of the Line.³

¹ BTSC is a subsidiary of Watco Transportation Services, L.L.C., which, in turn, is a subsidiary of Watco Holdings, Inc.

² The Line, along with other rail lines, was previously operated by the Morristown & Erie Railway, Inc. See *Morristown & Erie Ry.—Modified Rail Certificate*, FD 34054 (STB served July 5, 2002).

³ On April 25, 2018, BTSC supplemented its Notice by submitting copies of the agreement between BTSC and Phillips and the agreement between Phillips and the state of New Jersey.

According to BTSC, it will interchange with Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail), pursuant to an Interchange Agreement, as a contract switching carrier at the Bayway Industrial Track (Bayway I.T.); the connecting track between the Bayway I.T./Simmons Lead and Bayway Yard and Track No. 4 of Bayway Yard; or, such other location to be agreed upon by BTSC and Conrail.

The Line qualifies for a modified certificate of public convenience and necessity. See *Common Carrier Status of States, State Agencies & Instrumentalities & Political Subdivisions*, FD 28990F (ICC served July 16, 1981); 49 CFR 1150.22.

BTSC states that no subsidy is involved and that there are no preconditions for shippers to meet to receive rail service. BTSC's notice also includes a certificate of liability insurance coverage. (See Notice Ex. 2.)

This notice will be served on the Association of American Railroads (Car Service Division), as agent for all railroads subscribing to the car-service and car-hire agreement, at 425 Third Street SW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20024; and on the American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association at 50 F Street NW, Suite 7020, Washington, DC 20001.

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Decided: May 15, 2018.

By the Board, Scott M. Zimmerman, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

Brendetta Jones,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket Number NHTSA–2017–0095]

Reports, Forms, and Recordkeeping Requirements

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

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes

the nature of the information collections and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on February 20, 2018 (83 FR 7297).

DATES: Send comments on or before June 20, 2018.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments, identified by Docket No. NHTSA–2017–0095 by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for sending comments.

- *Mail:* Docket Management Facility: U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Telephone: 1–800–647–5527.

- *Fax:* 202–493–2251

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this proposed collection of information. All comments received will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. Please see the Privacy Act heading below.

Privacy Act: Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477–78) or you may visit <https://DocketInfo.dot.gov>.

The 60-day notice for this ICR was inadvertently filed in docket NHTSA–2017–0039. The correct docket number is NHTSA–2017–0095.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alex Ansley, Recall Management Division (NEF–107), NHTSA, 1200 New Jersey Ave., Room W48–301, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone (202) 493–0481. Please identify the relevant collection of information by referring to its OMB Control Number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), before an agency submits a proposed collection of information to OMB for approval, it must first publish a document in the **Federal Register** providing a 60-day

comment period and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information. The OMB has promulgated regulations describing what must be included in such a document. Under OMB's regulation, *See* 5 CFR 1320.8(d), an agency must ask for public comment on the following:

(i) 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;

(ii) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) how to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) how to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

In compliance with these requirements, NHTSA asks for public comments on the following collection of information:

Title of Collection: Petitions for Hearings on Notification and Remedy of Defects.

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

OMB Control Number: 2127-0039.

Affected Public: Businesses or others for profit.

Abstract: Sections 30118(e) and 30120(e) of Title 49 of the United States Code specify that any interested person may petition NHTSA to hold a hearing to determine whether a manufacturer of motor vehicles or motor vehicle equipment has met its obligation to notify owners, purchasers, and dealers of vehicles or equipment of a safety-related defect or noncompliance with a Federal motor vehicle safety standard in the manufacturer's products and to remedy that defect or noncompliance.

To implement these statutory provisions, NHTSA promulgated 49 CFR part 557, Petitions for Hearings on Notification and Remedy of Defects. Part 557 establishes procedures providing for the submission and disposition of petitions for hearings on the issues of whether the manufacturer has met its obligation to notify owners, purchasers, and dealers of safety-related defects or noncompliance, or to remedy such defect or noncompliance free of charge.

Estimated annual burden: During NHTSA's last renewal of this information collection, the agency estimated it would receive one petition a year, with an estimated one hour of preparation for each petition, for a total of one burden hour per year. That estimate remains unchanged with this notice.

Number of respondents: 1.

Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden 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.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3506(c); delegation of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8(f).

Stephen A. Ridella,

Director, Office of Defects Investigation.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. DOT-OST-2010-0211]

RIN 2105-AE07

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB Agency Request for Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection Request: Reports by Air Carriers on Incidents Involving Animals During Air Transport

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary (OST), Department of Transportation (Department or DOT).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Department's intention to apply to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to renew the previously approved information collection request (ICR) OMB No. 2105-0552, "Reports by Air Carriers on Incidents Involving Animals During Air Transport." The current information collection request approved by OMB expires August 31, 2018.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by July 20, 2018.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments (identified by Docket No. DOT-OST-2010-0211) through one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.

- *Hand Delivery:* U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal Holidays. The telephone number is 202-366-9329.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Vinh Q. Nguyen, Senior Trial Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590, 202-366-9342 (Voice), 202-366-7152 (fax), or vinh.nguyen@dot.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Reports by Air Carriers on Incidents Involving Animals During Air Transport.

OMB Control Number: 2105-0552.

Type of Request: Renewal of currently approved Information Collection Request.

Background: The Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century or "AIR-21" (Pub. L. 106-181), which was signed into law on April 5, 2000, includes section 710, "Reports by Carriers on Incidents Involving Animals During Air Transport." This provision was codified as 49 U.S.C. 41721. The statute requires air carriers that provide scheduled passenger air transportation to submit monthly to the Secretary of Transportation a report on any incidents involving the loss, injury, or death of an animal (as defined by the Secretary of Transportation) during air transport provided by the air carrier.

On August 11, 2003, DOT, through its Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), issued a final rule implementing section 710 of AIR-21.¹ The rule required air carriers that provide scheduled passenger air transportation to submit a report to APHIS on any incident involving the loss, injury, or death of an animal during air transportation provided by the air carrier. Due to issues regarding whether APHIS had the

¹ Reporting Directive Regarding Incidents Involving Animals During Air Transport, 68 FR 47798 (August 11, 2003).