

Budget (OMB). You may submit comments by the following methods:

- *Email: oira\_submission@omb.eop.gov.* You must include the DS form number, information collection title, and the OMB control number in the subject line of your message.
- *Fax: 202-395-5806.* Attention: Desk Officer for Department of State.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

- *Title of Information Collection:* Courier Drop-Off List for U.S. Passport Applications.
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0222.
- *Type of Request:* Revision of a Currently Approved Collection.
- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Consular Affairs, Passport Services (CA/PPT).
- *Form Number:* DS-4283.
- *Respondents:* Business or Other For-Profit Organizations.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 670.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 238,554.
- *Average Time per Response:* 10 minutes.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 39,759 annual hours.
- *Frequency:* Daily.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

**Abstract of Proposed Collection**

The information collected on the DS-4283 is used to facilitate the issuance of passports to U.S. citizens in the United States and Canada with imminent travel plans who hire private courier companies to deliver their applications to one of 12 Department domestic passport agencies. The Department asks courier company employees to complete

the DS-4283 for each service type and submit the form with passport applications delivered in bulk to passport agencies in a designated drop-off box. Passport agencies use the form to track the submission of applications that a courier drops off. The form serves as a record of receipt of documents submitted to the Department and as an acknowledgment of who delivered these documents. The DS-4283 is part of a Department effort to facilitate the delivery of passport applications by private courier companies while maintaining the integrity of the passport application process.

**Methodology**

This form is used to track the processing of passport applications delivered in bulk to passport agencies by private courier companies. Courier employees are asked to attach the form onto sealed envelopes or packages containing passport applications which they deliver in bulk to designated drop-off facilities at one of 12 passport agencies for processing.

**Rachel M. Arndt,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Passport Services.*

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**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

[STB Docket No. EP 670 (Sub-No. 1)]

**Notice of Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Surface Transportation Board.

**ACTION:** Notice of Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee (RETAC), pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA).

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 15, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. E.D.T.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Board's headquarters at 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kristen Nunnally at (202) 245-0312; *Kristen.Nunnally@stb.gov*. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** RETAC was formed in 2007 to provide advice and guidance to the Board, and to serve as a forum for discussion of emerging

issues related to the transportation of energy resources by rail, including coal, ethanol, and other biofuels.

*Establishment of a Rail Energy Transp. Advisory Comm., EP 670* (STB served July 17, 2007). The purpose of this meeting is to continue discussions regarding issues such as rail performance, capacity constraints, infrastructure planning and development, and effective coordination among suppliers, carriers, and users of energy resources. Potential agenda items for this meeting include a performance measures review, industry segment updates by RETAC members, a presentation on energy transportation logistics, and a roundtable discussion.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will be conducted in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2; Federal Advisory Committee Management regulations, 41 CFR Pt. 102-3; RETAC's charter; and Board procedures. Further communications about this meeting may be announced through the Board's website at *www.stb.gov*.

*Written Comments:* Members of the public may submit written comments to RETAC at any time. Comments should be addressed to RETAC, c/o Kristen Nunnally, Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423-0001 or *Kristen.Nunnally@stb.gov*.

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 1321, 49 U.S.C. 11101; 49 U.S.C. 11121.

Decided: April 24, 2019.

By the Board, Allison C. Davis, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

**Jeffrey Herzig,**

*Clearance Clerk.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Aviation Administration**

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of a New Approval of Information Collection: Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSA) Monitoring, Reporting, and Verification (MRV) Program**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our

intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for a new information collection. The collection involves a request that airplane operators subject to the applicability of Annex 16, Volume IV of the Convention on Civil Aviation (hereinafter the "Chicago Convention") submit electronically an Emissions Monitoring Plan (EMP) and an annual Emissions Report (ER) to the FAA. The information to be collected is necessary because FAA will use the information to fulfill the United States' responsibilities under the Chicago Convention.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted by July 1, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Please send written comments:

*By Electronic Docket:*  
www.regulations.gov (Enter docket number into search field).

*By mail:* Daniel Williams, Federal Aviation Administration, AEE-400, 800 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20591.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Daniel Williams by email at: [daniel.williams@faa.gov](mailto:daniel.williams@faa.gov); phone: 202-267-7988.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Public Comments Invited:* You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for FAA's performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for FAA to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

*OMB Control Number:* 2120-XXXX.

*Title:* CORSIA Monitoring, Reporting, and Verification (MRV) Program.

*Form Numbers:* Not Applicable.

*Type of Review:* Clearance of a new information collection.

*Background:* The CORSIA MRV Program is a voluntary program for certain U.S. air carriers and commercial operators (collectively referred hereinafter as "operators") to submit certain airplane CO<sub>2</sub> emissions data to the FAA to enable the United States to establish uniformity with ICAO Standards And Recommended Practices (SARPs) for CORSIA, which were adopted in June 2018, as Annex 16, Volume IV to the Chicago Convention. The United States supported the decision to adopt the CORSIA SARPs based on the understanding that CORSIA is the exclusive market-based

measure applying to international aviation, and that CORSIA will ensure fair and reciprocal commercial competition by avoiding a patchwork of country- or regionally-based regulatory measures that are inconsistently applied, bureaucratically costly, and economically damaging. Furthermore, continued U.S. support for CORSIA assumes a high level of participation by other countries, particularly by countries with significant aviation activity, as well as a final CORSIA package that is acceptable to, and implementable by, the United States.

Under CORSIA, all ICAO Member States whose airplane operators undertake international flights will need to develop a MRV system for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from those international flights starting January 1, 2019. The FAA's CORSIA MRV Program is intended to be the United States' MRV system for monitoring, reporting, and verification of U.S. airplane operator CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from international flights.

Operators that are subject to the applicability of CORSIA will submit their EMPs and ERs electronically.<sup>1</sup> Both documents use Microsoft Excel-based templates and can be transmitted via email or uploaded to a web portal. EMPs that are submitted by operators will be used as a collaborative tool between the operator and FAA to document a given operator's chosen fuel use monitoring procedures. FAA will retain a copy of the EMP and will share with ICAO a list of operators that submit EMPs. FAA will not submit any specific EMPs from U.S. operators to ICAO.

Large operators, *i.e.*, those emitting 500,000 metric tons or more of CO<sub>2</sub> per year, will gather data through a "fuel use monitoring method." Small operators, *i.e.*, those emitting less than 500,000 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub> per year, can use a simplified monitoring method. Annual ERs that are submitted to FAA by operators and verifiers will be used to document each operators' international emissions. FAA will use

<sup>1</sup> CORSIA applies to airplane operators that produce annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions greater than 10,000 tonnes (*i.e.*, 10,000 metric tons) from international flights, excluding emissions from excluded flights. The following activities are excluded CORSIA:

- Domestic flights;
- Humanitarian, medical, and firefighting operations, including flight(s) preceding or following a humanitarian, medical, or firefighting flight provided such flight(s) were conducted with the same airplane, were required to accomplish the related humanitarian, medical, or firefighting activities or to reposition thereafter the airplane for its next activity;
- Operations using an airplane with a maximum certificated take-off mass equal to or less than 5,700 kg;
- Operations on behalf of the military.

the ERs to calculate aggregated emissions data for all U.S. operators. FAA will submit the aggregated emissions data to ICAO to demonstrate U.S. implementation of CORSIA.

*Respondents:* Respondents will be airplane operators subject to the applicability of Annex 16, Volume IV of the Chicago Convention. From the outset, FAA expects between 11 and 49 operators to submit an EMP and ER. Some additional operators could submit an EMP and ER over time based on their international aviation activities.

*Frequency:* An EMP is a one-time submission. An ER is an annual submission.

*Estimated Average Burden per Response:* FAA expects that filling and submitting an EMP could take approximately 8 hours. FAA expects that for operators using a Fuel Use Monitoring Method, the reporting hour burden could be approximately 43 hours per operator, per year. For operators using a simplified Monitoring Method, the reporting hour burden could be approximately 29 hours per operator, per year.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* Based on the above, FAA expects that the annual submission of an ER could take approximately 29 to 43 hours for each of the 11 to 49 operators.

Issued in Washington, DC, on April 24, 2019.

**Kevin Welsh,**

*Executive Director, Office of Environment and Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-2019-25]

#### Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Erickson Aero Tanker, LLC

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of petition for exemption received.

**SUMMARY:** This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of Federal Aviation Regulations. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, the FAA's exemption process. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.