

CFR section/subject	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours	Total annual dollar cost equivalent
(b)(2)–(3)—A vendor’s or supplier’s notification, upon receipt of a report of any safety-critical failure of its product, to any railroads using the product.	10 vendors .....	.5 notifications	8 hours	4	304
(d)—A railroad’s submission, to the applicable vendor or supplier, of the railroad’s procedures for action upon notification of a safety-critical failure, upgrade, patch, or revision to the PTC system and actions to be taken until it is adjusted, repaired, or replaced.	36 railroads	2.5 notifications	16 hours	40	3,040
(e)—A railroad’s database of all safety-relevant hazards, which must be maintained after the PTC system is placed in service.	36 railroads	36 database updates	16 hours	576	43,776
(e)(1)—A railroad’s notification to the vendor or supplier and FRA if the frequency of a safety-relevant hazard exceeds the threshold set forth in the PTCDP and PTCSPP, and about the failure, malfunction, or defective condition that decreased or eliminated the safety functionality.	36 railroads .....	.5 notifications	8 hours	4	304
(e)(2)—Continual updates about any and all subsequent failures.	36 railroads .....	.5 updates	8 hours	4	304
(g)—A railroad’s and vendor’s or supplier’s report, upon FRA request, about an investigation of an accident or service difficulty due to a manufacturing or design defect and their corrective actions.	36 railroads .....	.5 reports	40 hours	20	1,520
(h)—A PTC system vendor’s or supplier’s reports of any safety-relevant failures, defective conditions, previously unidentified hazards, recommended mitigation actions, and any affected railroads.	10 vendors .....	.5 reports	8 hours	4	304
236.1029(b)(4)—A report of an en route failure, other failure, or cut out to a designated railroad officer of the host railroad.	36 railroads	1,000 reports	30 minutes	500	38,000
(h)—An annual report of PTC system failures due April 16th each year after a railroad’s applicable deadline for full PTC system implementation.	36 railroads	36 reports	8 hours	288	21,888
236.1031(a)–(d)—A railroad’s Request for Expedited Certification (REC).	36 railroads	1 REC letter + supporting documentation.	8 hours	8	608
236.1035(a)–(b)—A railroad’s request for authorization to field test an uncertified PTC system and any responses to FRA’s testing conditions.	36 railroads	10 requests	40 hours	400	30,400
236.1037(b)—Results of inspections and tests specified in a railroad’s PTCSPP and PTCDP.	36 railroads	800 records	1 hour	800	60,800
(c)—A contractor’s records related to the testing, maintenance, or operation of a PTC system maintained at a designated office.	36 railroads	1,600 records	10 minutes	267	20,292
(d)(3)—A railroad’s final report of the results of the analysis and countermeasures taken to reduce the frequency of safety-related hazards below the threshold set forth in the PTCSPP.	36 railroads .....	.5 final reports	160 hours	80	6,080
236.1039(a)–(c), (e)—A railroad’s PTC Operations and Maintenance Manual (OMM), which must be maintained and available to FRA upon request.	36 railroads	2 OMM updates	10 hours	20	1,520
(d)—A railroad’s identification of a PTC system’s safety-critical components, including spare equipment.	36 railroads	1 identified new component ...	1 hour	1	76
236.1041(a)–(b) and 236.1043(a)—A railroad’s PTC Training and Qualification Program (i.e., a written plan).	36 railroads	2 programs	10 hours	20	1,520
236.1043(b)—Training records retained in a designated location and available to FRA upon request.	36 railroads	500 PTC training records	1 minute	8	608
Total	N/A	4,568,393 responses	N/A	68,373	5,533,356

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 4,568,393.

Total Estimated Annual Burden: 68,373 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Burden Hour Dollar Cost Equivalent: 5,533,356.^{15 16}

Under 44 U.S.C. 3507(a) and 5 CFR 1320.5(b) and 1320.8(b)(3)(vi), FRA informs all interested parties that it may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

¹⁵ The dollar equivalent cost is derived from the Surface Transportation Board’s Full Year Wage A&B data series using the appropriate employee group hourly wage rate that includes a 75-percent overhead charge.

¹⁶ Form FRA F 6180.177: This temporary reporting requirement would expire by law on approximately December 31, 2021, as further explained in Section IV of this notice. See 49 U.S.C. 20157(j).

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520; 49 U.S.C. 20157.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA–2019–0004–N–24]

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) and its implementing regulations, FRA seeks approval of the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below. Before submitting this ICR to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval, FRA is soliciting public comment on specific aspects of the activities identified in the ICR.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 28, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the ICR activities by mail to either: Ms. Hodan Wells, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Railroad Safety, Regulatory Analysis Division, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590; or Ms. Kim Toone, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Information Technology, Federal Railroad

Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. Commenters requesting FRA to acknowledge receipt of their respective comments must include a self-addressed stamped postcard stating, "Comments on OMB Control Number 2130-0537," and should also include the title of the ICR. Alternatively, comments may be faxed to 202-493-6216 or 202-493-6497, or emailed to Ms. Wells at hodan.wells@dot.gov, or Ms. Toone at kim.toone@dot.gov. Please refer to the assigned OMB control number in any correspondence submitted. FRA will summarize comments received in response to this notice in a subsequent notice and include them in its information collection submission to OMB for approval.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Hodan Wells, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Railroad Safety, Regulatory Analysis Division, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-0440) or Ms. Kim Toone, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Information Technology, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: 202-493-6132).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520, and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, require Federal agencies to provide 60-days' notice to the public to allow comment on information collection activities before seeking OMB approval of the activities. See 44 U.S.C. 3506, 3507; 5 CFR 1320.8 through 1320.12. Specifically, FRA invites interested parties to comment on the following ICR regarding: (1) Whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the activities will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FRA's estimates of the burden of the information collection activities, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimates; (3) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (4) ways for FRA to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. See 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1).

FRA believes that soliciting public comment may reduce the administrative and paperwork burdens associated with

the collection of information that Federal regulations mandate. In summary, FRA reasons that comments received will advance three objectives: (1) Reduce reporting burdens; (2) organize information collection requirements in a "user-friendly" format to improve the use of such information; and (3) accurately assess the resources expended to retrieve and produce information requested. See 44 U.S.C. 3501.

The summary below describes the ICR that FRA will submit for OMB clearance as the PRA requires:

Title: Railroad Police Officers.

OMB Control Number: 2130-0537.

Abstract: FRA regulations in 49 CFR part 207 require railroads to notify States of all designated police officers who perform duties outside of their respective jurisdictions. This is necessary to verify proper police authority.

Type of Request: Extension with change (revised estimates) of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses.

Form(s): N/A.

Respondent Universe: 746 railroads.

Frequency of Submission: On occasion.

Reporting Burden:

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per responses (minutes)	Total annual burden hours	Total cost equivalent ¹
207.4(a)—RR Notice to State Officials—Written notice of RR police officer's commission to each State in which the RR police officer shall protect the railroad's property, personnel, passengers, and cargo.	746 railroads	35 written notices	15	9	\$684
207.4(b)—RR copy of written notices to State officials.	746 railroads	35 records	2	1	76
207.6—Transfers—Application by RR police officers for new State certification/commission when transferring primary employment or residence from one State to another.	746 railroads	40 records	2	1	76
Total	746 railroads	110 responses	N/A	11	836

¹ The hourly wage rate is obtained from the Surface Transportation Board's Full Year Wage A&B data series using the appropriate employee group hourly wage rate that includes 75-percent overhead charges.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 110.

Total Estimated Annual Burden: 11 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Burden Hour Dollar Cost Equivalent: \$836.

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displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2019-0012]

Deepwater Port License Application: Texas COLT LLC

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of application withdrawal.