

(Amtrak) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR part 238. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA–2019–0096.

Specifically, Amtrak has petitioned FRA for a waiver from the requirements of 49 CFR 238.111(a), pre-revenue service acceptance testing, for Siemens Charger locomotives, ALC–42 variants included, to operate across the entirety of Amtrak’s operating network. Following FRA’s correspondence to Amtrak dated May 16, 2019, Amtrak began to perform a select number of SC–44 Charger performance tests on several long-distance network routes. Results have been generally positive thus far with a low number of correctional recommendations sent back to the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM). Amtrak intends to perform additional SC–44 testing in 2020 to further validate the Charger platform in a long-distance environment prior to receiving ALC–42 deliveries.

Since the receipt of FRA’s May 16, 2019 correspondence, Amtrak has also provided to FRA the entirety of the design documentation received to date from Siemens for the ALC–42 procurement. Most of these ALC–42 preliminary design review documents are the SC–44 final design documents. These include designs of the suspension system, wheel profile, crash energy management, fuel tank, and other car body drawings. Further, no changes to the dimensions or car body profile of the locomotive will vary between the ALC–42 or the SC–44. The ALC–42 will have a minimal (<0.5%) empty weight variance due to different internal components such as head-end power (HEP) transformer and cab signal, and a minimal (<2.0%) loaded gross weight variance due to increased fuel/diesel exhaust fluid (DEF)/sand capacity than the SC–44. Amtrak states these small weight variances reside below the floor and therefore should have negligible effect from low center of gravity. The other notable differences between the two platform versions will reside within the cab (additional positive train control systems, screen interfaces) and inside the engine room (different fuel filtration, HEP inverter, brake grid, etc.).

Based on the above and the Charger platform testing that has been performed to date, Amtrak requests a waiver from the requirements of 49 CFR 238.111(a) testing for Siemens Charger locomotives, ALC–42 variants included.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at

www.regulations.gov and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation’s (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, W12–140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Website:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax:* 202–493–2251.
- *Mail:* Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, W12–140, Washington, DC 20590.
- *Hand Delivery:* 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Communications received by February 24, 2020 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable.

Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL–14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/privacy>. See also <https://www.regulations.gov/privacyNotice> for the privacy notice of www.regulations.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA–2019–0106]

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

Under part 211 of title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that on December 4, 2019, Caltrain petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR part 238, Passenger Equipment Safety Standards. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA–2019–0106.

Specifically, Caltrain seeks a waiver of compliance from portions of 49 CFR 238.131(a)(1) for its new six-car Stadler Electric Multiple Unit (EMU) trainsets currently under construction. The Federal regulation incorporates American Public Transportation Association (APTA) Standard PR–M–S–18–10, *Standard for Powered Exterior Side Door System Design for New Passenger Cars*, first published February 11, 2011, by reference. Section 2.9.1 of this standard, *Design Construction*, paragraph 6 states: “Neither shall the emergency release mechanism require the presence of any interlock signals (e.g. “low speed” or “zero speed” signals) for actuation. When actuated, the emergency release mechanism shall override any locks, and it shall be possible to manually open the released door with a force not to exceed 35 lbf.” The petition states, “for safety reasons, Caltrain would like to introduce a speed interlock to the door emergency release system.”

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation’s (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, W12–140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in

connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

Agency Information Collection Activities: Information Collection Renewal; Comment Request; Retail Foreign Exchange Transactions

AGENCY: Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The OCC, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the renewal of an information collection as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA).

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number.

The OCC is soliciting comment concerning renewal of an information collection titled, "Retail Foreign Exchange Transactions," which is currently an approved collection.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 10, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Commenters are encouraged to submit comments by email, if possible. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Email:* prainfo@occ.treas.gov.
- *Mail:* Chief Counsel's Office, Attention: Comment Processing, 1557-0250, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 400 7th Street SW, Suite 3E-218, Washington, DC 20219.
- *Hand Delivery/Courier:* 400 7th Street SW, Suite 3E-218, Washington, DC 20219.

• *Instructions:* You must include "OCC" as the agency name and "1557-0250" in your comment. In general, the OCC will publish comments on www.reginfo.gov without change, including any business or personal information provided, such as name and address information, email addresses, or phone numbers. Comments received, including attachments and other supporting materials, are part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. Do not include any information in your comment or supporting materials that you consider confidential or inappropriate for public disclosure.

You may review comments and other related materials that pertain to this information collection beginning on the

date of publication of the second notice for this collection¹ by any of the following methods:

- *Viewing Comments Electronically:* Go to www.reginfo.gov. Click on the "Information Collection Review" tab. Underneath the "Currently under Review" section heading, from the drop-down menu select "Department of Treasury" and then click "submit." This information collection can be located by searching by OMB control number "1557-0250" or "Retail Foreign Exchange Transactions." Upon finding the appropriate information collection, click on the related "ICR Reference Number." On the next screen, select "View Supporting Statement and Other Documents" and then click on the link to any comment listed at the bottom of the screen.

- For assistance in navigating www.reginfo.gov, please contact the Regulatory Information Service Center at (202) 482-7340.

- *Viewing Comments Personally:* You may personally inspect comments at the OCC, 400 7th Street SW, Washington, DC. For security reasons, the OCC requires that visitors make an appointment to inspect comments. You may do so by calling (202) 649-6700 or, for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, TTY, (202) 649-5597. Upon arrival, visitors will be required to present valid government-issued photo identification and submit to security screening in order to inspect comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shaquita Merritt, OCC Clearance Officer, (202) 649-5490 or, for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, TTY, (202) 649-5597, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 400 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20219.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), Federal agencies must obtain approval from OMB for each collection of information that they conduct or sponsor. "Collection of information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) to include agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of title 44 requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this

¹ Following the close of this notice's 60-day comment period, the OCC will publish a second notice with a 30-day comment period.