DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

[Docket No. PHMSA–2019–0172]

Pipeline Safety; Information Collection Activities

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the information collection requests (ICR) summarized below are being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comments. A Federal Register notice soliciting comments on the following information collections with a 60-day comment period was published on December 17, 2020.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before June 14, 2021.

Privacy Act Statement: DOT may solicit comments from the public regarding certain general notices. 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 www.dot.gov/privacy.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Angela Hill by telephone at 202/680–2034 or by email at Angela.Hill@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background


During the 60-day comment period, PHMSA received comments from the National Association of Pipeline Safety Representatives (NAPSR) and a joint comment from the American Gas Association, the American Petroleum Institute, the American Public Gas Association, and the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America (collectively, the Associations).

The comments received are organized by topic area, summarized, and addressed below.

A. Form PHMSA F7100.2–1 Annual Report for Natural and Other Gas Transmission and Gathering Pipeline Systems

The Associations suggested that PHMSA modify the instructions for Part G to clarify that operators are only required to report baseline and reassessment data for moderate consequence area (MCA) segments subject to 49 CFR 192.710. The Associations recommended that § 192.710 be added to the form after “MCA” on Part G, sections d–h.

PHMSA appreciates the Associations making the important distinction between MCA segments and segments required to be assessed under § 192.710. PHMSA has implemented the Associations’ suggestion by replacing “MCA” with “§ 192.710” in Part G, sections d–h, to provide clarity. Further, PHMSA’s proposed changes did not recognize this important distinction in Parts F and L of the form. Accordingly, PHMSA has changed “MCA” to “§ 192.710” throughout Parts F and L.

The Associations commented that PHMSA should further clarify which relief valve and emergency shutdown (ESD) events must be reported under Part G1 of the annual form. Per the Associations, the instructions should clarify that leaks are not reportable in Part G1 since they are already included in Part M. The Associations commented that relief valve “chatter,” which can generally be rectified by adjustment of the relief device, is not reportable under Part G1. They suggested reporting only “confirmed” activations/events and stated that the proposed reporting changes do not require operators to implement new procedures to identify relief valve activations.

The Associations suggested that the proposed changes should simply require operators to report the number of relief valve activations and ESD events that are observed (and currently recorded as abnormal operating conditions) by operator personnel. The Associations also recommended that PHMSA should not begin requiring the reporting of any intentional release data under Part G1.

1 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.
2 85 FR 82028.
PHMSA is withdrawing its proposal to move reporting of relief valve activation and ESD events from the incident report (Form PHMSA F 7100.2) to the annual report (Form PHMSA F 7100.2–1) at this time because PHMSA’s initial proposal inadvertently omitted notice that operators would be required to report the volume of natural gas released during these events on the annual report. PHMSA intends to address this issue in a future information collection change and will consider these comments at that time.

C. Form PHMSA F7100.4–1 Underground Natural Gas Storage Facility Annual Report

The Associations recommended adding an additional category of wells as Part C10c in the report. The Associations stated that by adding “number of wells plugged and abandoned during the calendar year” as an additional category in C10, there would be no duplication among counts in C10. PHMSA agrees and has added C10c. The Associations recommended that PHMSA clarify what is meant by “wells plugged but not abandoned” and stated they believe this category is not intended to include temporary plugs. PHMSA agrees and has modified the instructions for the report by explicitly excluding “temporary bridge plugs.”

II. Summary of Impacted Collection

Section 1320.8(d), Title 5, Code of Federal Regulations, requires PHMSA to provide interested members of the public and affected agencies an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping requests. This notice identifies an information collection request that PHMSA will submit to OMB for revision.

The following information is provided for this information collection: (1) Title of the information collection; (2) OMB control number; (3) current expiration date; (4) type of request; (5) abstract of the information collection activity; (6) description of affected public; (7) estimate of total annual reporting and recordkeeping burden; and (8) frequency of collection.

PHMSA will request a 3-year term of approval for this information collection activity. PHMSA requests comments on the following information:

1. Title: Annual and Incident Reports for Gas Pipeline Operators.

PHMSA proposes to revise the form and instructions for the Incident Report—Natural and Other Gas Transmission and Gathering Pipeline Systems (PHMSA F7100.2) to include details on when operators are to answer questions E6 through E8 of the incident report.

Affected Public: Natural Gas Pipeline Operators and Operators of LNG Facilities

Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:

Estimated number of responses: 301.
Estimated annual burden hours: 3,612.

Frequency of collection: On occasion.

Comments are invited on:
(a) The need for the renewal and revision of these collections of
information for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility:

(b) 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;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Ways 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.


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John A. Gale,
Director, Standards and Rulemaking Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Office of Foreign Assets Control

Notice of OFAC Sanctions Actions

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing the names of one or more persons that have been removed from the Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Person List (SDN List) and list of Foreign Sanctions Evaders (FSE List). Their property and interests in property are no longer blocked, and U.S. persons are no longer generally prohibited from engaging in transactions with them. Additionally, OFAC is publishing updates to the identifying information of one person currently included in the SDN List. All property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of this person remain blocked, and U.S. persons are generally prohibited from engaging in transactions with them.

DATES: See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for applicable date(s).


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

The Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List, Foreign Sanctions Evader List, and additional information concerning OFAC sanctions programs are available on OFAC’s website (www.treasury.gov/ofac).

Notice of OFAC Actions

A. On May 11, 2021, OFAC determined that circumstances no longer warrant the inclusion of the following person on the SDN List and that their property and interests in property are no longer blocked under the relevant sanctions authority listed below.

Individual

1. JAMI JAMI (a.k.a. JAMA’ JAMA’; a.k.a. JAMEA, Jamea Kamil; a.k.a. JAM’I JAMI’I); DOB 16 Jun 1954; POB Jablah, Zama, Syria; Brigadier General (individual) [SYRIA]. Designated on August 15, 2006 pursuant to one or more of the criteria set forth in Executive Order 13338, “Blocking Property of Certain Persons and Prohibiting the Export of Certain Goods to Syria.”

B. On May 11, 2021, OFAC determined that circumstances no longer warrant the inclusion of the following persons on the SDN List and the FSE List and that their property and interests in property are no longer blocked under the relevant sanctions authorities listed below.

Individuals

1. HOLLEBRAND, Alexander (a.k.a. HOLLEBRAND, Sander); DOB 20 Dec 1954; POB Netherlands (individual) [SYRIA] [FSE–SY]. Designated on December 17, 2014 pursuant to one or more of the criteria set forth in Executive Order 13338, “Blocking Property of the Government of Syria and Prohibiting Certain Transactions With Respect to Syria,” and Executive Order 13608, “Prohibiting Certain Transactions With and Suspending Entry Into the United States of Foreign Sanctions Evaders With Respect to Iran and Syria.”

C. On May 11, 2021, OFAC updated the entry on the SDN List for the following person, whose property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction continue to be blocked under the relevant sanctions authority listed below.

Individual

1. PAVLENKO, Vladimir Nikolaevich (a.k.a. PAVLENKO, Volodymyr Mykolaiovych), Ukraine; Gender Male; Minister of State Security of the so-called Donetsk People’s Republic (individual) [UKRAINE–EO13660] (Linked To: DONETSK PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC).

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PAVLENKO, Vladimir Nikolaevich (Cyrillic: ПАВЛЕНКО, Владимир Николаевич) (a.k.a. PAVLENKO, Vladimir Viktorovich) (Cyrillic: ПАВЛЕНКО, Владимир Викторович) (a.k.a. PAVLENKO, Volodymyr Mykolaiovych; a.k.a. PAVLENKO, Volodymyr Viktorovich) (Cyrillic: ПАВЛЕНКО, Володимир Вікторович)), Donetsk, Donetsk Oblast, Ukraine; DOB 14 Apr 1962; Gender Male; Minister of State Security of the so-called Donetsk People’s Republic (individual) [UKRAINE–EO13660] (Linked To: DONETSK PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(v) of Executive Order 13660 of March 6, 2014, “Blocking Property of Certain Persons Contributing to the Situation in Ukraine” (E.O. 13660) for having acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, the so-called “DONETSK PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC,” a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to E.O. 13660.


Bradley T. Smith,
Acting Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of the Treasury.

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