IV. Paperwork Reduction Act

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. 3507), an agency may not conduct, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid control number assigned by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The collections of information in this NCAP test have been approved by OMB in accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act and assigned OMB control number 1561–0001.

Pete Flores,
Executive Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

For further details on the background and procedures regarding this test, please refer to the August 20, 2015 notice, as corrected by the October 20, 2015 notice, and the August 14, 2017 notice, as corrected by the October 20, 2017 notice. This test was originally scheduled to run for approximately two years. On August 14, 2017, CBP extended the test period (82 FR 37893). This test was originally scheduled to run for approximately two years. On August 14, 2017, CBP extended the test period (82 FR 37893).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Automated Commercial Environment (ACE) Export Manifest for Rail Cargo Test is a voluntary test in which participants agree to submit export manifest data to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) electronically at least two hours prior to loading of the cargo onto the rail car, in preparation for departure from the United States or, for empty rail cars, upon assembly of the train. The ACE Export Manifest for Rail Cargo Test is authorized under §101.9(b) of title 19 of the Code of Federal Regulations (19 CFR 101.9(b)), which provides for the testing of National Customs Automation Program (NCAP) programs or procedures.

The ACE Export Manifest for Rail Cargo Test examines the functionality of filing export manifest data for rail cargo electronically in ACE. ACE creates a single automated export processing platform for certain export manifest, commodity, licensing, export control, and export targeting transactions. This will reduce costs for CBP, partner government agencies, and the trade community, as well as improve facilitation of export shipments through the supply chain.

The ACE Export Manifest for Rail Cargo Test also assesses the feasibility of requiring the manifest information to be filed electronically in ACE within a specified time before the cargo is loaded on the train. This capability will enhance CBP’s ability to calculate the risk and effectively identify and inspect shipments prior to the loading of cargo in order to facilitate compliance with U.S. export laws.

CBP announced the procedures and criteria related to participation in the ACE Export Manifest for Rail Cargo Test in a notice published in the Federal Register on September 9, 2015 (80 FR 54305). This test was originally scheduled to run for approximately two years. On August 14, 2017, CBP extended the test period (82 FR 37893). At that time, CBP also modified the original notice to make certain data elements optional and opened the test to accept additional applications for all parties who met the eligibility criteria.
requirements. Through this notice, CBP is renewing the test.

The data elements, unless noted otherwise, are mandatory. Data elements which are mandatory must be provided to CBP for every shipment. Data elements which are marked “conditional” must be provided to CBP only if the particular information pertains to the cargo. Data elements which are marked “optional” may be provided to CBP but are not required to be completed. The data elements are set forth below:

(1) Mode of Transportation
   (containerized rail cargo or noncontainerized rail cargo) (optional)
(2) Port of Departure from the United States
(3) Date of Departure
(4) Manifest Number
(5) Train Number
(6) Rail Car Order
(7) Car Locator Message
(8) Hazmat Indicator (Yes/No)
(9) 6-character Hazmat Code (conditional) (If the hazmat indicator is yes, then UN (for United Nations Number) or NA (North American Number) and the corresponding 4-digit identification number assigned to the hazardous material must be provided.)
(10) Marks and Numbers (conditional)
(11) SCAC (Standard Carrier Alpha Code) for exporting carrier
(12) Shipper name and address (For empty rail cars, the shipper may be the railroad from which the rail carrier received the empty rail car to transport.)
(13) Consignee name and address (For empty rail cars, the consignee may be the railroad to which the rail carrier is transporting the empty rail car.)
(14) Place where the rail carrier takes possession of the cargo shipment or empty rail car (optional)
(15) Port of Unloading
(16) Country of Ultimate Destination (optional)
(17) Equipment Type Code (optional)
(18) Container Number(s) (for containerized shipments) or Rail Car Number(s) (for all other shipments)
(19) Empty Indicator (Yes/No)
   If the empty indicator is no, then the following data elements must also be provided, unless otherwise noted:
   (20) Bill of Lading Numbers (Master and House)
   (21) Bill of Lading Type (Master, House, Sample or Sub)
   (22) Number of house bills of lading (optional)
   (23) Notify Party name and address (conditional)
   (24) AES Internal Transaction Number or AES Exemption Statement (per shipment)
   (25) Cargo Description
   (26) Weight of Cargo (may be expressed in either pounds or kilograms)
   (27) Quantity of Cargo and Unit of Measure
   (28) Seal Number (only required if the container was sealed)
   (29) Split Shipment Indicator (Yes/No) (optional)
   (30) Portion of split shipment (e.g. 1 of 10, 4 of 10, 5 of 10, Final, etc.) (optional)
   (31) In-bond Number (conditional)
   (32) Mexican Pedimento Number (only for shipments for export to Mexico) (optional)

For further details on the background and procedures regarding this test, please refer to the September 9, 2015 notice and August 14, 2017 extension and modification.

II. Renewal of the ACE Export Manifest for Rail Cargo Test Period

CBP will renew the test for two years to continue evaluating the ACE Export Manifest for Rail Cargo Test. This will assist CBP in determining whether electronic submission of manifests will allow for improvements in the functionality and capabilities at the departure level. The renewed test will run for two years from the date of publication.

III. Applicability of Initial Test Notice

All provisions in the September 2015 notice and in the August 2017 modification and extension remain applicable, subject to the time period provided in this renewal.

IV. Paperwork Reduction Act

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

[1651–0122]

Screening Requirements for Carriers


ACTION: 30-Day notice and request for comments; revision of an existing collection of information.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). The information collection is published in the Federal Register to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and must be submitted (no later than May 27, 2022) to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Requests for additional PRA information should be directed to Seth Renkema, Chief, Economic Impact Analysis Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Office of Trade, Regulations and Rulings, 90 K Street NE, 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20229–1177. Telephone number 202–325–0056 or via email CBP_PRA@cbp.dhs.gov. Please note that the contact information provided here is solely for questions regarding this notice. Individuals seeking information about other CBP programs should contact the CBP National Customer Service Center at 877–227–5511, (TTY) 1–800–877–8339, or CBP website at https://www.cbp.gov/.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: CBP invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the proposed and/or continuing information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.). This proposed information collection was previously published in the Federal Register (87 FR 2288) on January 19, 2022, allowing for a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for