

exposure for hazmat transportation across motor carrier types?

- What gaps exist in current research, and what interagency collaborations could strengthen future studies in EV and ICE vehicles carrying hazmat?
- Which of the identified areas have the highest safety priority based on anticipated impacts?
- What types of battery chemistries and sizes are used currently in standard EVs and heavy duty EVs? Which types are most common? Are some more dangerous than others?

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

Hazardous Materials: Notice of Applications for New Special Permits

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

ACTION: List of applications for special permits.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the procedures governing the application for, and the processing of, special permits from the Department of Transportation's Hazardous Material Regulations, notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has received the application described herein.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 4, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Record Center, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590.

Comments should refer to the application number and be submitted in triplicate. If confirmation of receipt of comments is desired, include a self-addressed stamped postcard showing the special permit number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Donald Burger, Director, Office of Hazardous Materials Safety Special Permits Program, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, East Building, PHH–6, 1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast, Washington, DC 20590–0001, (202) 366–4535.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Each mode of transportation for which a particular special permit is requested is indicated by a number in the “Nature of Application” portion of the table below as follows: (1) Motor vehicle, (2) Rail freight, (3) Cargo vessel, (4) Cargo aircraft only, (5) Passenger-carrying aircraft.

Copies of the applications are available for inspection in the Records Center, East Building, PHH–6, 1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast, Washington DC.

This notice of receipt of applications for special permit is published in accordance with part 107 of the Federal hazardous materials transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5117(b); 49 CFR 1.53(b)).

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Donald P. Burger,

Director, Special Permits Program.

SPECIAL PERMITS DATA

Application No.	Applicant	Regulation(s) affected	Nature of the special permits thereof
22177–N	Veolia ES Technical Solutions, LLC.	173.185(f)(1), 173.185(f)(3), 173.185(f)(3)(iii).	To authorize the transportation in commerce of one UN 50D Large Packaging containing damaged lithium ion cells for the purpose of disposal. (mode 1)
22179–N	BAE Systems Space & Mission Systems Inc.	173.24(g), 173.185(a), 173.301(f), 173.302(a), 173.304(a).	To authorize the transportation in commerce of certain non-DOT specifications packagings (spacecraft) containing Division 2.1 and 2.2 compressed gases and lithium ion batteries installed in equipment. (mode 1)
22180–N	Trinseo LLC	172.203(a), 172.302(c), 173.31(d)(1)(ii).	To authorize the transportation in commerce of tank cars in which the manway cover gasket has been subjected to the leak detection method(s) in lieu of a visual inspection. (mode 2)
22181–N	The Research Foundation for The State University of New York.	173.199(a)(1)	To authorize the transportation in commerce of mice infected with Division 6.2 (infectious substance) hazardous materials in alternative packaging. (mode 1)
22183–N	GS Yuasa Lithium Power, Inc	173.185(a)(1)	To authorize the transportation in commerce of prototype and low production lithium batteries aboard cargo-only aircraft. (mode 4)
22184–N	Kalitta Air, LLC	173.27(b)(2)	To authorize the transportation in commerce of UN3538 articles containing non-flammable, non-toxic gas, n.o.s. which are forbidden for air transportation by cargo-only aircraft. (mode 4)
22187–N	The Greenbrier Companies, Inc.	172.203(a), 172.302(c), 179.2(a)(2), 179.3(a), 179.6.	To authorize the use of a Design Certifying Engineer to certify tank car designs, including alterations, conversions, and repairs, in lieu of an approval issued by the Association of American Railroads (AAR). (mode 2)
22188–N	Arkedge Space Inc	173.185(e)	To authorize the transportation in commerce of a lithium ion battery design that is not of a type proven to have passed the testing requirements of section 38.3 of the UN Manual of Tests and Criteria via cargo-only aircraft. (mode 4)
22193–N	Samsung SDI Battery Systems GmbH (agent).	173.185(e)	To authorize the transportation of prototype lithium ion batteries in excess of 35 kgs aboard cargo-only aircraft. (mode 4)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

Agency Information Collection Activities: Information Collection Renewal; Submission for OMB Review; Extensions of Credit to Insiders and Transactions With Affiliates

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 comment on a continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). In accordance with the requirements of the PRA, the OCC may not conduct or sponsor, and the 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 the renewal of its information collection titled, “Extensions of Credit to Insiders and Transactions with Affiliates.” The OCC also is giving notice that it has sent the collection to OMB for review.

DATES: Comments must be received by March 4, 2026.

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, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Attention: 1557-0336, 400 7th Street SW, Suite 3E-218, Washington, DC 20219.

- *Hand Delivery/Courier:* 400 7th Street SW, Suite 3E-218, Washington, DC 20219.
- *Fax:* (571) 293-4835.

Instructions: You must include “OCC” as the agency name and “1557-0336” 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.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should also be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. You can find this information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

You may review comments and other related materials that pertain to this information collection following the close of the 30-day comment period for this notice by the method set forth in the next bullet.

- **Viewing Comments Electronically:** Go to www.reginfo.gov. Hover over the “Information Collection Review” tab and click on “Information Collection Review” from the drop-down menu. From the “Currently under Review” drop-down menu, select “Department of the Treasury” and then click “submit.” This information collection can be located by searching OMB control number “1557-0336” or “Extensions of Credit to Insiders and Transactions with Affiliates.” 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Shaquita Merritt, Clearance Officer, (202) 649-5490, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 400 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20219. If you are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the 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. The OCC asks the OMB to extend its approval of the collection in this notice.

Title: Extensions of Credit to Insiders and Transactions with Affiliates.

OMB Control No.: 1557-0336.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit.

Description: National banks and Federal savings associations must comply with rules of the Federal Reserve Board (Board) regarding extensions of credit to insiders (Regulation O) and transactions with affiliates (Regulation W), which implement section 22(h) and sections 23A and 23B, respectively, of the Federal Reserve Act (FRA). Twelve CFR part 31.2 requires national banks, Federal savings associations, and their insiders to comply with Regulation O, and 12 CFR 31.3 requires national banks and Federal savings associations to comply with Regulation W. Appendix A to part 31 provides interpretive guidance on the application of Regulation W to deposits between affiliated banks.

Section 31.3(c) implements the statutory standards for authorizing an exemption from section 23A of the FRA or section 11 of the Home Owners' Loan Act (HOLA) in accordance with section 608 of the Dodd Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Dodd-Frank Act). Section 608, which became effective on July 21, 2012, amends section 23A of the FRA and section 11 of the HOLA to authorize the OCC to exempt, by order, a transaction of a national bank or Federal savings association, respectively, from the affiliate transaction requirements of section 23A and section 11 of the HOLA if: (1) the OCC and the Board jointly find the exemption to be in the public interest and consistent with the purposes of section 23A or section 11, and (2) within 60 days of receiving notice of such finding, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation does not object in writing to the finding. Such objection would be based on a determination that the exemption presents an unacceptable risk to the Deposit Insurance Fund.

Section 31.3(d) sets forth procedures that a national bank and Federal savings association must follow to request such exemptions. These procedures are modeled after the Board's procedures in Regulation W. A national bank or Federal savings association may request an exemption from the requirements of section 23A or section 11 of the HOLA, as applicable, and 12 CFR part 223 for a national bank or Federal savings association by submitting a written request to the Deputy Comptroller for Licensing with a copy to the appropriate Federal Reserve Bank. Such a request must:

(1) Describe in detail the transaction or relationship for which the national