

exempt from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323. See 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2).

Under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), the Board may not use its exemption authority to relieve a rail carrier of its statutory obligation to protect the interests of its employees. Section 11326(c), however, does not provide for labor protection for transactions under sections 11324 and 11325 that involve only Class III rail carriers. Because this transaction involves Class III rail carriers only, the Board, under the statute, may not impose labor protective conditions for this transaction.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the transaction.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 33625, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pending must be served on Robert A. Wimbish, Esq., Rea, Cross, & Auchincloss, 1707 L Street, NW, Suite 570, Washington, DC 20036.

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Decided: July 6, 1998.

By the Board, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, 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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms within the

Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Bond—Export Warehouse Proprietor, Export Bond—Customs Bonded Cigar Manufacturing Warehouse, Extension of Coverage of Bond, Bond Under 26 U.S.C 6423, Manufacturer of Tobacco Products.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 14, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Barnes, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8930.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to Cliff Mullen, Regulations Division, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8181.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Bond—Export Warehouse Proprietor, ATF F 2103 (5220.5), Export Bond—Customs Bonded Cigar Manufacturing Warehouse, ATF F 2104 (5200.15), Extension of Coverage of Bond, ATF F 2105 (5000.7), Bond Under 26 U.S.C. 6423, ATF F 2490 (5620.10), Bond—Manufacturer of Tobacco Products, ATF F 3070 (5210.13)

OMB Number: 1512-0534.

Form Number: See Titles.

Abstract: These forms provide an efficient method of collecting the required information for the excise tax on wine, and provide a statutory system of controls for securing payment of taxes properly due. The recordkeeping requirement for this information collection is 2 years.

Current Actions: There are no changes to this information collection and it is being submitted for extension purposes only.

Type of Review: Extension.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 15.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 1 hour and 40 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 25.

Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate

of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: June 29, 1998.

Steve L. Mathis,

Acting Assistant Director (Management)/CFO.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, 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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Marks and Notices on Packages of Tobacco Products.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 14, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Barnes, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8930.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to Cliff Mullen, Regulations Division, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8181.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Marks on Notices on Packages of Tobacco Products.

OMB Number: 1512-0532.

Recordkeeping Requirement ID Number: ATF REC 5210/13.

Abstract: This information collection requires the manufacturer, or exporter to

place a mark and notice indicating the tax classification and quantity on packages, cases or containers. Statutory authority for labeling and marking requirements pertaining to tobacco products is set forth in 26 U.S.C. 5723. There is a need for this information to appear on packages of tobacco products to assure effective administration of the Federal excise taxes imposed on tobacco products. There is no recordkeeping or reporting burden imposed on the proprietors.

Current Actions: There are no changes to this information collection and it is being submitted for extension purposes only.

Type of Review: Extension.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 120.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 0.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1.

Request For Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: June 29, 1998.

Steve L. Mathis,

Assistant Director (Management)/CFO.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, 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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Application for Registration of Firearms Acquired By Certain Governmental Entities.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 14, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Barnes, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8930.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to William O'Brien, National Firearms Act Branch, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8508.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Application for Registration of Firearms Acquired By Certain Governmental Entities

OMB Number: 1512-0029

Form Number: ATF F 10 (5320.10)

Abstract: ATF F 10 (5320.10) is used by State and local government agencies to effect the registration of otherwise unregistrable National Firearms Act (NFA) firearms. The information on the form is verified by ATF personnel in the processing of the application to ensure that an unregistered NFA firearm is being registered and that the applicant is a government agency eligible to possess the firearm.

Current Actions: There are no changes to this information collection and it is being submitted for extension purposes only.

Type of Review: Extension

Affected Public: Federal Government, State, Local or Tribal Government

Estimated Number of Respondents: 600

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 30 minutes

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 300

Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of

information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: June 24, 1998.

William T. Earle,

Assistant Director (Management)/CFO.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, 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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Application for Tax-Exempt Transfer of Firearm and Registration to Special (Occupational) Taxpayer (Title 26, U.S.C. Chapter 53).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 14, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Barnes, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8930.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to William O'Brien, National Firearms Act Branch, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8508.