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Dated: May 5, 2000.

**Stephen M. Miller,**

*Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating Committee.*

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## TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

### Environmental Impact Statement— Land Between the Lakes Public Use Plan, Lyon and Trigg Counties, Kentucky and Stewart County, Tennessee

**AGENCY:** Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA).

**ACTION:** Cancellation Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On March 1, 1995, TVA published in the **Federal Register** (60 FR 11161-11162) a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on alternatives for public use at the Land Between The Lakes (LBL) National Recreation Area. On October 1, 1999, pursuant to the Land Between The Lakes Protection Act of 1998, LBL was established as a unit of the National Forest System and administrative responsibility was transferred from TVA to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The 1995 NOI is hereby rescinded.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Harold M. Draper, NEPA Administration, Environmental Policy and Planning, Tennessee Valley

Authority, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902-1499; telephone (865) 632-6889 or e-mail hmdraper@tva.gov.

Dated: May 5, 2000.

**Kathryn J. Jackson,**

*Executive Vice President, River System Operations and Environment.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Office of the Secretary

#### Aviation Proceedings, Agreements Filed During the Week of May 5, 2000

The following Agreements were filed with the Department of Transportation under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Sections 412 and 414. Answers may be filed within 21 days after the filing of the applications.

*Docket Number:* OST-2000-7333.

*Date Filed:* May 4, 2000.

*Parties:* Members of the International Air Transport Association.

*Subject:* PTC12 NMS-ME 0105 dated 18 April 2000, North Atlantic-Middle East Resolution 002L, Special Readopting/Amending Resolution, between Canada, Mexico, USA and Middle East, Intended effective date: 31 May 2000.

*Docket Number:* OST-2000-7334.

*Date Filed:* May 4, 2000.

*Parties:* Members of the International Air Transport Association.

*Subject:* PTC12 NMS-ME 0106 dated 18 April 2000, North Atlantic-Middle East Resolutions r1-r18, PTC12 NMS-ME 0110 dated 20 April 2000 (Technical Correction), PTC12 NMS-ME 0107 dated 18 April 2000, North Atlantic-Israel Resolution r19-r37, Minutes—PTC12 NMS-ME 0109 dated 20 April 2000, Tables—PTC12 NMS-ME FARES 0057 dated 20 April 2000, Intended effective date: 1 June 2000.

**Andrea M. Jenkins,**

*Federal Register Liaison.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Railroad Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and its implementing regulations, the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) hereby announces that it is seeking renewal of the following currently approved information collection activities. Before submitting these information collection requirements for clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), FRA is soliciting public comment on specific aspects of the activities identified below.

**DATES:** Comments must be received no later than July 17, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on any or all of the following proposed activities by mail to either: Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Safety, Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS-21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW, Mail Stop 17, Washington, DC 20590, or Ms. Dian Deal, Office of Information Technology and Productivity Improvement, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW, Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590. Commenters requesting FRA to acknowledge receipt of their respective comments must include a self-addressed stamped postcard stating, "Comments on OMB control number \_\_\_\_." Alternatively, comments may be transmitted via facsimile to (202) 493-6265 or (202) 493-6170, or E-mail to Mr. Brogan at robert.brogan@fra.dot.gov, or to Ms. Deal at dian.deal@fra.dot.gov. Please refer to the assigned OMB control number in any correspondence submitted. FRA will summarize comments received in response to this notice in a subsequent notice and include them in its information collection submission to OMB for approval.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS-21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW, Mail Stop 17, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6292) or Dian Deal, Office of Information Technology and Productivity Improvement, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW, Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6133). (These telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Pub. L. 104-13, § 2, 109 Stat. 163 (1995) (codified as revised at 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR Part 1320, require Federal agencies to provide 60-days notice to the public for comment on information collection activities before seeking approval for reinstatement or renewal by OMB. 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), 1320.10(e)(1), 1320.12(a). Specifically, FRA invites interested respondents to comment on the following summary of proposed information collection activities regarding: (i) Whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute

its functions, including whether the activities will have practical utility; (ii) the accuracy of FRA's estimates of the burden of the information collection activities, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimates; (iii) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (iv) ways for FRA to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public by automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology (e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses). See 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)(i)-(iv); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1)(i)-(iv). FRA believes that soliciting public comment will promote its efforts to reduce the administrative and paperwork burdens associated with the collection of information mandated by Federal regulations. In summary, FRA reasons that comments received will advance three objectives: (i) Reduce reporting burdens; (ii) ensure that it organizes information collection requirements in a "user friendly" format to improve the use of such information; and (iii) accurately assess the resources expended to retrieve and produce the

information requested. See 44 U.S.C. 3501.

Below is a brief summary of currently approved information collection activities that FRA will submit for clearance by OMB as required under the PRA:

*Title:* Hours of Service Regulations.

*OMB Control Number:* 2130-0005.

*Abstract:* The collection of information is due to the railroad hours of service regulations set forth in 49 CFR Part 228 which require railroads to collect the hours of duty for covered employees, and records of train movements. Railroads whose employees have exceeded maximum duty limitations must report the circumstances. Also, a railroad that has developed plans for construction or reconstruction of sleeping quarters (Subpart C of 49 CFR part 228) must obtain approval of the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) by filing a petition conforming to the requirements of Sections 228.101, 228.103, and 228.105.

*Form Number(s):* FRA F 6180.3.

*Affected Public:* Businesses.

*Respondent Universe:* 685 railroads.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

*Reporting Burden:*

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours	Total annual burden cost
228.11—Hours of Duty Records .....	632 railroads	27,375,000 records..	10 min./2 min.	3,735,166	\$130,730,810
228.17—Dispatchers of Train Movements .....	150 Dispatch Offices.	54,750 records.	6 hours .....	328,500	11,497,500
228.19—Monthly Reports of Excess Service .....	300 railroads	1,800 reports	2 hours .....	3,600	63,000
228.103—Construction of Employee Sleeping Quarters .....	632 railroads	1 petition .....	16 hours .....	16	560
45 U.S.C. 61-64—Hours of Service Act .....	15 railroads	15 petitions ..	10 hours .....	150	5,250

*Total Responses:* 27,431,566.  
*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 4,067,432 hours.  
*Status:* Regular Review.  
*Title:* Railroad Operating Rules.  
*OMB Control Number:* 2130-0035.  
*Abstract:* The collection of information is due to the railroad operating rules set forth in 49 CFR part 217 which require Class I and Class II

railroads to file with FRA copies of their operating rules, timetables, and timetable special instructions, and subsequent amendments thereto. Class III railroads are required to retain copies of these documents at their system headquarters. Also, the collection of information is due to 49 CFR 220.21 (b) which requires railroads to retain one copy of their current operating rules

with respect to radio communications and one copy of each subsequent amendment thereto. These documents must be available to FRA upon request.  
*Affected Public:* Businesses.  
*Respondent Universe:* 633 railroads.  
*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.  
*Reporting Burden:*

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours	Total annual burden cost
217.7—Copy-FRA-operating rules, timetables-Class/II.	1 new railroad ...	2 submission ....	1 hour .....	1 hour .....	\$35
—Amendments .....	32 railroads .....	96 amendments	20 minutes ..	32 hours .....	\$1,120
—Copy of operating rules, etc.—ClassIII .....	20 new railroads	20 submissions	.92 hour .....	18 hours .....	\$630
—Amendments .....	632 railroads .....	1,896 amend-ment.	.25 hour .....	474 hours .....	\$16,590
217.9—Copy—prog. for perf. of Operational tests ....	20 new railroads	20 programs .....	9.92 hours ...	198 hours .....	\$6,930
—Amendments .....	633 railroads .....	3,165 amend-ments.	1.92 hours ...	6,077 hours .....	\$212,695
—Op. Test Records .....	633 railroads .....	495,000 test records.	.25 hour .....	123,750 hours ..	\$4,331,250
—Summary-Tests, etc .....	55 railroads .....	55 summaries ...	7 hours .....	385 hours .....	\$13,475
217.11—Copy—Inst Prog.—Employees .....	20 new railroads	20 programs .....	9.92 hours ...	198 hours .....	\$6,930
—Amendments .....	633 railroads .....	75 amendments	.92 hour .....	69 hours .....	\$2,380
220.21(b)-Copy-Op. Rules—Radio .....	Incl. under 217.7	Incl. under 217.7	Incl. under 217.7.	Incl. under 217.7	Incl. under 217.7
—Amendments.					

*Total Responses:* 500,348  
*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 131,202 hours.  
*Status:* Regular Review.  
*Title:* State Safety Participation Regulations and Remedial Actions.  
*OMB Control Number:* 2130-0509.  
*Abstract:* The collection of information is set forth under 49 CFR Part 212, and requires qualified state inspectors to provide various reports concerning state investigative, inspection, and and surveillance activities regarding railroad compliance with Federal railroad safety laws and regulations to FRA for monitoring and enforcement purposes. Additionally, railroads are required to report to FRA actions taken to remedy certain alleged violations of law.  
*Form Number(s):* FRA F 6180. 10, 6180.29/29A/33, 6180.61/67/68/68A/69/96/96A/96B  
*Affected Public:* Businesses  
*Respondent Universe:* States and Railroads  
*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion  
*Reporting Burden:*

CFR section	Respondent universe (States)	Total annual responses	Average time per response (hours)	Total annual burden hours	Total annual burden cost
—Application For Participation .....	15	15 Updates .....	2.5	38	\$1,330
—Training Funding Agreement .....	30	30 Agreement ...	1	30	1,050
—Inspector Training Reimbursement .....	30	300 Vouchers ...	1	300	10,500
—Annual Work Plan .....	30	30 reports .....	15	450	15,750
Inspection Form (FRA F 6180.96) .....	30	18,000 forms ....	.25	4,500	126,000
Motive Power and Equipment Violation Report (FRA F 6180.68, 6180.68A/69).	19	150 reports .....	1	150 hours	4,200
Violation of Oper. Practices Insp. Rpt (Form FRA F 6180.67).	13	40 reports .....	1	40	1,120
—Application For Participation .....	15	15 Updates .....	2.5	38	\$1,330
—Training Funding Agreement .....	30	30 Agreements	1	30	1,050
—Inspector Training Reimbursement .....	30	300 Vouchers ...	1	300	10,500
Violation of Hazardous Materials Inspection Rept (Form FRA F 6180.67).	14	100 reports .....	13	1,300	36,400
Violation of Locomotive Inspection Act Rept. (Form FRA F 6180.10).	17	50 reports .....	1	50	1,400
Violation of Safety Appliance Law Rpt. (Form FRA F 6180.29/29A).	19	53 reports .....	1	53	1,484
Violation of Hours of Service Law Rpt. (Form FRA F 6180.33).	13	21 reports .....	1	21 reports	588
Violation of Accident/Incident Reporting Rules Rpt (Form FRA F 6180.61).	13	10 reports .....	1	10	280
Remedial Actions Rpt (209.405/407) .....	32	5,048 reports ....	.25	1,262	42,908
—Violation Rpt Challenge .....	<sup>1</sup> 685	1,010 chal- lenges.	1	1,010	34,340
Delayed Reports (209.407) .....	<sup>1</sup> 685	505 reports .....	.50	253	8,602

<sup>1</sup> Railroads.

*Total Responses:* 25,362.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 9,467 hours.

*Status:* Regular Review.

*Title:* Rear-End Marking Devices.

*OMB Control Number:* 2130-0523.

*Abstract:* The collection of information is set forth under 49 CFR part 221 which requires railroads to furnish a detailed description of the type of marking device to be used for the trailing end of rear cars in order to ensure rear cars meet minimum standards for visibility and display. Railroads are required to furnish a certification that the device has been tested in accordance with current "Guidelines for Testing of FRA Rear End Marking Devices." Additionally, railroads are required to furnish detailed test records which include the testing organizations, description of tests number of samples tested, and the test results in order to demonstrate compliance with the performance standard.

*Affected Public:* Businesses.

*Respondent Universe:* 685 railroads.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

*Reporting Burden:*

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response (hours)	Total annual burden hours	Total annual burden cost
Requests for Approval of Marking Devices & Signed Certification by Chief Operating Officer.	685 railroads .....	2 requests .....	4	8	\$280
Recordkeeping—Requests for Marking Devices .....	685 railroads .....	2 records .....	.10	.20	7
Recordkeeping—Detailed Test Records .....	685 railroads .....	1 test record .....	20	20	700

Total Responses: 5.  
 Estimated Total Annual Burden: 28.2 hours.  
 Status: Regular Review.  
 Title: Certification of Glazing Materials.  
 OMB Control Number: 2130-0525.

Abstract: The collection of information is set forth under 49 CFR part 223 which requires the certification and permanent marking of glazing materials by the manufacturer along with the responsibility of the manufacturer to make available test verification data to railroads and FRA upon request.

Affected Public: Businesses.  
 Respondent Universe: 5 manufacturers.  
 Frequency of Submission: On occasion.  
 Reporting Burden:

CFR section	Respondent universe (manufacturers)	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours	Total annual burden cost
Requests—Glazing Certification Info .....	5	75 requests .....	15 minutes .....	19	\$475
Preparing/Recording Glazing Marking Information .....	5	25,000 pieces ...	.0021 minutes ...	52	1,300
Certification Test .....	5	1 test .....	14 hours .....	14	1,120

Total Responses: 76.  
 Estimated Total Annual Burden: 85 hours.  
 Status: Regular Review.

Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 3507(a) and 5 CFR 1320.5(b), 1320.8(b)(3)(vi), FRA informs all interested parties that it may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520.

Issued in Washington, D.C. on May 12, 2000.

Margaret B. Reid,

Acting Director, Office of Information Technology and Support Systems, Federal Railroad Administration.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Railroad Administration**

**Petition for Waiver of Compliance**

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) received a request for a waiver of compliance with certain requirements of its safety standards. The individual petition is described below, including the party seeking relief, the regulatory provisions involved, the nature of the relief being requested, and the petitioner's arguments in favor of relief.

**Alaska Railroad Corporation**

[Docket Number FRA-2000-7350]

The Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARR) seeks a temporary waiver of compliance with a provision of the Passenger Equipment Safety Standards

(49 CFR part 238). ARR has been transporting full-length dome cars owned by Westours Motorcoaches, Inc. since 1987. ARR states that the cars currently have two emergency exits on each side of the car located in the staggered hallways (a total of four emergency exits per car located midway between the upper main level and a small lower level). Westours Motorcoaches, Inc. determined that the placement of the current emergency exits did not comply with 49 CFR 238.113(a) which addresses the number and location of emergency exits. Accordingly, Westours contracted for retrofit of existing dome cars to comply with section 238.1139(a). Although delivery of compliant emergency windows was originally scheduled for April 1, 2000, due to technical problems, delivery may not be accomplished until as late as August 1, 2000.