

see also Joint Statement of Agency Policy Concerning Shared Use of the Tracks of the General Railroad System by Conventional Railroads and Light Rail Transit Systems, 65 FR 42626 (July 10, 2000).

Specifically, UTA requests relief from the following provisions of Title 49 of the CFR: Part 210—Railroad Noise Emission Compliance; Part 217—Railroad Operating Rules; Part 218—Railroad Operating Practices; Part 219—Control of Alcohol and Drug Use; Part 220—Railroad Communications; 221.13(d) and 221.14(a) (pertaining to rear end marking devices); 223.9(c), 223.15(c) and 223.17 (pertaining to safety glazing standards and emergency windows); certain aspects of Part 225—Railroad Accidents/Incidents; Part 228—Hours of Service (A–E); 229.46–229.59, 229.61, 229.65, 229.71, 229.77(b), 229.125, 229.135 (pertaining to locomotive safety standards); 231.14 (pertaining to railroad safety appliance standards); 234.105 (pertaining to grade crossing signal systems safety and activation failures); 238.113, 238.115(b), 238.203, 238.205(b), 238.207, 238.209, 238.211, 238.213, 238.215, 238.217, 238.221, 238.229, 238.231, 238.233, 238.301–238.319 (pertaining to passenger equipment safety standards); Part 239—Passenger Rail Emergency Preparedness; Part 240—Qualification and Certification of Locomotive Engineers; Part 242—Conductor Certification.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W12–140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA–2014–0106]

#### Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this provides the public notice that by a document dated October 16, 2014, the Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (MTA) Metro-North Railroad (MNCW) has petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from several provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations. Specifically, MNCW requests relief from certain provisions of 49 CFR part 240, Qualification and Certification of Locomotive Engineers, and 49 CFR part 242, Qualification and Certification of Conductors. The request was assigned Docket Number FRA–2014–0106. The relief is contingent on MNCW's implementation of and participation in the Confidential Close Call Reporting System (C<sup>3</sup>RS) pilot project.

MNCW seeks to shield reporting employees and the railroad from mandatory punitive sanctions that

would otherwise arise as provided in 49 CFR 240.117(e)(1)–(4); 240.305(a)(1)–(4) and (a)(6); 240.307; and 242.403(b), (c), (e)(1)–(4), (e)(6)–(11), and (f)(1)–(2).

The C<sup>3</sup>RS pilot project encourages certified operating crew members to report close calls and protect the employees and the railroad from discipline or sanctions arising from the incidents reported per the C<sup>3</sup>RS Implementing Memorandum of Understanding.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Office of the Fiscal Assistant Secretary

**AGENCY:** Departmental Office, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on extension of an existing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). The Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Application, Reports, and Recordkeeping for the Direct Component and the Centers of Excellence Research Grants Program of the RESTORE Program.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before January 20, 2015 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments regarding the burden estimate, or any other aspect of the information collection, including

suggestions for reducing the burden to Janet Vail, U.S. Department of the Treasury, RESTORE Act, Room 1132, Washington, DC 20220, or by email to [restoreact@treasury.gov](mailto:restoreact@treasury.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for additional information should be directed to Janet Vail, U.S. Department of the Treasury, RESTORE Act, Room 1132, Washington, DC 20220, or by email to [restoreact@treasury.gov](mailto:restoreact@treasury.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*OMB Control Number:* 1505-0250.

*Title:* Application, Reports, and Recordkeeping for the Direct Component and the Centers of Excellence Research Grants Program of the RESTORE Program.

*Abstract:* The Department of the Treasury administers the Direct Component and the Centers of Excellence Research Grants Program authorized under the Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast States Act (RESTORE). These programs require Treasury to make grants from the Gulf Coast Restoration Trust Fund to five States and certain Florida counties and Louisiana parishes impacted by the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill. The information collected will be used to identify eligible recipients; describe proposed activities; determine an appropriate amount of funding; ensure compliance with applicable laws; track grantee progress; and report on the effectiveness of the programs.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* State and Local Governments.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 52.

*Estimated Annual Response:* 557.

*Estimated Annual Burden Hours:* 6,864.

*Request for Comment:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. The public is invited to submit comments concerning: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary 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 collection of information; (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 respondents, including 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: November 13, 2014.

**Dawn D. Wolfgang,**

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