

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Title: Part 585—Advanced Air Bag Phase-In Reporting Requirement.

OMB Number: 2127–0599.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: 49 U.S.C. 30111, 30112, and 30117 authorize the issuance of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) and the collection of data, which support their implementation. Using this authority, the agency issued a modification to FMVSS 208, Occupant Crash Protection, to require advanced air bags in accordance with the Transportation Equity Act of the 21st Century (TEA 21), which was enacted by the United States Congress in 1998.

A two-stage phase-in is included in FMVSS 208 to allow for the introduction of advanced air bags. Manufacturers must equip a certain percentage of their new vehicle fleets with advanced air bags and report their production to NHTSA. Each report will contain, in addition to the identity, addresses, etc., several numerical items of information. The information includes, but is not limited to, the following items.

Total number of vehicles manufactured for sale during the preceding production year; and total number of vehicles manufactured during the production year that are in compliance with the regulatory requirements.

Affected Public: Business of other for profit organizations.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 1,260

ADDRESSES: Send comments, within 30 days, to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725–17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention NHTSA Desk Officer.

Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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. A Comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 18, 2002.

Delmas Johnson,

Associate Administrator for Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34163]

Martin Marietta Materials, Inc.— Continuance in Control Exemption— Fredonia Valley Railroad, Inc.

Martin Marietta Materials, Inc. (MMM), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption to continue in control of Fredonia Valley Railroad, Inc. (FVRR) upon FVRR's becoming a rail carrier. MMM previously controlled Alamo Gulf Coast Railroad Company (AGCRC).¹ FVRR owns and operates approximately 9.65 miles of railroad line between milepost 87.60 near Fredonia and milepost 97.25 near Princeton in Caldwell County, KY; and AGCRC leases and operates a rail line from milepost 252 to milepost 257, near Beckmann Station, in Bexar County, TX.

FVRR became a carrier on or about December 17, 1998. Due to an apparent oversight, MMM did not file its verified notice of exemption with the Board until December 28, 2001. Thus, the effective date of the exemption is January 4, 2002 (7 days after the exemption was filed).²

MMM states that: (i) the railroads do not connect with each other or any railroad in their corporate family; (ii) the continuance in control is not part of a series of anticipated transactions that would connect the two railroads with each other or any railroad in their corporate family; and (iii) the transaction does not involve a Class I carrier. Therefore, the transaction is 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

¹ *See Fredonia Valley Railroad, Inc.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—in Caldwell County, KY*, STB Finance Docket No. 33695 (STB served Jan. 6, 1999); and *Alamo Gulf Coast Railroad Company—Lease and Operation Exemption—Certain Lines of Southern Pacific Transportation Company*, Finance Docket No. 32855 (STB served Jan. 26, 1996).

² The class exemption invoked by MMM does not provide for retroactive effectiveness.

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 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. 34163, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423–0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Fritz R. Kahn, P.C., 1920 N Street, N.W. 8th Floor, Washington, DC 20036–1601.

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Decided: January 22, 2002.

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

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 3115

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

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 IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 3115, Application for Change in Accounting Method.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before March 29, 2002 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to George Freeland, Internal Revenue Service, room 5575, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Allan Hopkins, (202) 622-6665, Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Application for Change in Accounting Method.

OMB Number: 1545-0152.

Form Number: 3115.

Abstract: Form 3115 is used by taxpayers who wish to change their method of computing their taxable income. The form is used by the IRS to determine if electing taxpayers have met the requirements and are able to change to the method requested.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to the form at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations, individuals, not-for-profit organizations, and farms.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6,400.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 42 hrs., 31 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 272,046.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

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.

Approved: January 17, 2002.

George Freeland,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Office of Thrift Supervision****FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM****Agency Information Collection Activities: Discontinuance**

AGENCIES: Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), Treasury; and Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board).

ACTION: Discontinuance of information collections.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the discontinuance by the Board and the OTS (collectively, the "agencies") of the following information collections, the Annual Report of Trust Assets (FFIEC 001) and the Annual Report of International Fiduciary Activities (FFIEC 006), effective with the December 31, 2001 report. In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35), the Board and the OTS (collectively, the "agencies") may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

On October 12, 2001, the agencies, under the auspices of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC), published a notice in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 52186) requesting public comment on the discontinuance of the (FFIEC 001 and FFIEC 006) reports. The comment period for this notice expired on December 11, 2001. No comments were received. The agencies are now submitting requests to OMB for approval of the discontinuance of the (FFIEC 001 and FFIEC 006) reports.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before February 27, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties are invited to submit written comments to either or both of the agencies. All comments should refer to the OMB control number(s) and will be shared between the agencies.

OTS: Submit any written comments concerning this notice to Information Collection Comments, Chief Counsel's

Office, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20552, Attention: 1550-0026, FAX Number (202) 906-6518, or e-mail to infocollection.comments@ots.treas.gov. OTS will post any comments and the related index on the OTS Internet Site at www.ots.treas.gov. In addition, interested persons may inspect comments at the Public Reference Room, 1700 G Street, NW, by appointment. To make an appointment, call (202) 906-5922, send an e-mail to publicinfo@ots.treas.gov, or send a facsimile transmission to (202) 906-7755.

Board: Comments may be mailed to Ms. Jennifer J. Johnson, Secretary, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 20th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20551. However, because paper mail in the Washington area and at the Board of Governors is subject to delay, please consider submitting your comments by e-mail to regs.comments@federalreserve.gov, or faxing them to the Office of the Secretary at 202-452-3819 or 202-452-3102. Comments addressed to Ms. Johnson may also be delivered to the Board's mail facility in the West Courtyard between 8:45 a.m. and 5:15 p.m., located on 21st Street between Constitution Avenue and C Street, N.W. Members of the public may inspect comments in Room MP-500 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays pursuant to § 261.12, except as provided in § 261.14, of the Board's Rules Regarding Availability of Information, 12 CFR 261.12 and 261.14.

A copy of the comments may also be submitted to the OMB desk officer for the agencies: Alexander T. Hunt, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 3208, Washington, DC 20503 or by e-mail to ahunt@omb.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Additional information or a copy of the collections may be requested from:

OTS: Sally W. Watts, OTS Clearance Officer, (202) 906-7380, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552; e-mail address sally.watts@ots.treas.gov.

Board: Mary M. West, Federal Reserve Board Clearance Officer, (202) 452-3829, Division of Research and Statistics, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 20th and C Streets, NW., Washington, DC 20551. Users of Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) may contact (202) 263-4869.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: