

(I-94) and Trunk Highway 10 (TH 10) between the cities of Becker and St. Cloud, Minnesota. The proposed alignment connections being studied include existing and new crossings of the Mississippi River. Rather, a conventional EIS will be prepared for the proposed improvements.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cheryl Martin, Federal Highway Administration, Galtier Plaza, 380 Jackson Street, Suite 500, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101, Telephone (651) 291-6120; or Terry Humbert, Project Manager, Minnesota Department of Transportation—District 3, 3725 12th Street North, St. Cloud, Minnesota 56303, Telephone (320) 654-5520, V (651) 296-9930 TTY.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As indicated in the Notice of Intent published in the **Federal Register** on May 8, 1997, the FHWA, in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), is preparing an EIS on a proposal to improve highway capacity for connections between I-94 and TH 10 between the cities of Becker and St. Cloud, Minnesota, including a crossing of the Mississippi River. The area of the proposed improvements is located in Wright, Stearns and Sherburne Counties.

There has been a change in the planned approach to the environmental review process for this project since the Notice of Intent was published in the **Federal Register**. The Notice of Intent indicated that a tiered EIS process would be used for the proposed project based on a projected 15 to 20-year funding and implementation schedule and a need to protect right-of-way for a preferred alternative. Since the publication of the Notice of Intent, the proposed regional connection capacity improvements have been identified as important in serving state Inter-Regional Corridor System goals. As a result, the project has the potential to receive higher funding priority than had previously been anticipated. Therefore, a conventional (*i.e.*, not tiered) EIS process has been determined to better suit the potential project implementation schedule. Coordination has been initiated and will continue with appropriate Federal, State and local agencies, and private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have an interest in the proposed action. Public meetings have been held in the past and will continue to be held, with public notice given for the time and place of the meetings.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program)

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements; Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The nature of the information collection is described as well as its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on December 18, 2002. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 11, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Thomas Christensen, Maritime Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-5909; FAX: 202-493-2180, or e-mail: tom.christensen@marad.dot.gov.

Copies of this collection also can be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maritime Administration (MARAD).

Title: EUSC/Parent Company.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0511.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: U.S. citizens who own foreign-registered vessels.

Form(s): None.

Abstract: The Effective U.S. Control (EUSC)/Parent Company collection consists of an inventory of foreign-registered vessels owned by U.S. citizens. Specifically, the collection consists of responses from vessel owners verifying or correcting vessel ownership data and characteristics found in commercial publications. The information obtained could be vital in a national or international emergency, and is essential to the logistical support planning operations conducted by MARAD officials. The information is used in contingency planning and provides data related to potential sealift capacity to support movement of fuel and military equipment to crisis zones.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 40 hours.

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

Comments Are Invited on: (a) Whether the proposed 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 proposed information collection; (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.

A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Issued in Washington, DC on March 6, 2003.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Announcing the Eleventh Quarterly Meeting of the Crash Injury Research and Engineering Network (CIREN)

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), DOT.

ACTION: Meeting announcement.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the Eleventh Quarterly Meeting of members

of the Crash Injury Research and Engineering Network. CIREN is a collaborative effort to conduct research on crashes and injuries at ten Level 1 Trauma Centers linked by a computer network. Researchers can review data and share expertise, which could lead to a better understanding of crash injury mechanisms and the design of safer vehicles.

DATE AND TIME: The meeting is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 3, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Department of Transportation Headquarters, (Nassif Building), Room 2230, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The CIREN System has been established and crash cases have been entered into the database by each Center. CIREN cases may be viewed from the NHTSA/CIREN Web site at: <http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/departments/nrd-50/ciren/CIREN.html>. NHTSA has held three Annual Conferences where CIREN research results were presented. Further information about the three previous CIREN conferences is also available through the NHTSA Web site. NHTSA held the first quarterly meeting on May 5, 2000, with a topic of lower extremity injuries in motor vehicle crashes; the second quarterly meeting on July 21, 2000, with a topic of side impact crashes; the third quarterly meeting on November 30, 2000, with a topic of thoracic injuries in crashes; the fourth quarterly meeting on March 16, 2001, with a topic of offset frontal collisions; the fifth quarterly meeting on June 21, 2001, on CIREN outreach efforts; the sixth quarterly meeting (held in Ann Arbor, Michigan) with a topic of injuries involving sport utility vehicles, the seventh quarterly meeting on December 6, 2001, with a topic of Age Related Injuries (Elderly and Children), the eighth quarterly meeting on April 25, 2002, with a topic of Head and Traumatic Brain Injuries, the ninth quarterly meeting on August 22, 2002 at Harborview Injury Prevention and Research Center in Seattle, Washington with presentations highlighting the various research specialties of the Centers; and the tenth Quarterly meeting on December 5, 2002, with a topic of Occult Injuries. Presentations from these meetings are available through the NHTSA Web site.

NHTSA plans to continue holding quarterly meetings on a regular basis to disseminate CIREN information to interested parties. This is the eleventh such meeting. The ten CIREN Centers will be presenting papers on the injuries

sustained in crashes where vehicles are mis-matched in terms of size or weight.

Should it be necessary to cancel the meeting due to inclement weather or to any other emergencies, a decision to cancel will be made as soon as possible and posted immediately on NHTSA's Web site <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/nhtsa/announce/meetings/>. If you do not have access to the Web site, you may call the contact listed below and leave your telephone or fax number. You will be called only if the meeting is postponed or canceled.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Scarboro, Office of Advanced Safety Research, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Room 6220, Washington, DC 20590, telephone: (202) 366-5932.

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Associate Administrator for Advanced Research and Analysis, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA-2003-14628]

Notice of Receipt of Petitions for Decision That Nonconforming 1996 and 1997 Lamborghini Diablo Passenger Cars Are Eligible for Importation

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of petition for decision that nonconforming 1996 and 1997 Lamborghini Diablo passenger cars are eligible for importation.

SUMMARY: This document announces receipt by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a petition for a decision that 1996 and 1997 Lamborghini Diablo passenger cars that were not originally manufactured to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards are eligible for importation into the United States because (1) they are substantially similar to vehicles that were originally manufactured for importation into and sale in the United States and that were certified by their manufacturer as complying with the safety standards, and (2) they are capable of being readily altered to conform to the standards.

DATES: The closing date for comments on the petition is April 11, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to the docket number and notice number,

and be submitted to: Docket Management, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh St., SW., Washington, DC 20590. [Docket hours are from 9 am to 5 pm].

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78) or you may visit <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Coleman Sachs, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, NHTSA (202-366-3151).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Under 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(A), a motor vehicle that was not originally manufactured to conform to all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards shall be refused admission into the United States unless NHTSA has decided that the motor vehicle is substantially similar to a motor vehicle originally manufactured for importation into and sale in the United States, certified under 49 U.S.C. 30115, and of the same model year as the model of the motor vehicle to be compared, and is capable of being readily altered to conform to all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

Petitions for eligibility decisions may be submitted by either manufacturers or importers who have registered with NHTSA pursuant to 49 CFR part 592. As specified in 49 CFR 593.7, NHTSA publishes notice in the **Federal Register** of each petition that it receives, and affords interested persons an opportunity to comment on the petition. At the close of the comment period, NHTSA decides, on the basis of the petition and any comments that it has received, whether the vehicle is eligible for importation. The agency then publishes this decision in the **Federal Register**.

Northern California Diagnostic Laboratories, Inc. of Napa, California ("NCDL") (Registered Importer 92-011) petitioned NHTSA to decide whether 1996 and 1997 Lamborghini Diablo passenger cars are eligible for importation into the United States. The vehicles that NCDL believes are substantially similar are 1996 and 1997 Lamborghini Diablo passenger cars that were manufactured for importation into, and sale in, the United States and certified by their manufacturer as