

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Complete copies of each request for collection of information may be obtained at no charge from Marlene Markison, NHTSA 400 Seventh Street, SW., room 5238, NSC-01, Washington, DC 20590. Ms. Markison's telephone number is (202) 366-2121. Please identify the relevant collection of information by referring to its OMB Control Number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before an agency submits a proposed collection of information to OMB for approval, it must first publish a document in the **Federal Register** providing a 60-day comment period and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information. The OMB has promulgated regulations describing what must be included in such a document. Under OMB's regulation at 5 CFR 1320.8(d), an agency must ask for public comment on the following:

(i) 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;

(ii) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) How to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(iv) How to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses.

In compliance with these requirements, NHTSA asks for public comments on the following proposed collections of information:

Title: 23 CFR, part 1345, Occupant Protection Incentive Grant—Section 405.

OMB Control Number: 2127-0600.

Affected Public: The 50 States, The District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Marianas and Virgin Islands.

Form Number: HS-217 Highway Safety Program Cost Summary.

Abstract: An occupant protection incentive grant is available to states that can demonstrate compliance with at

least four of six criteria. Demonstration of compliance requires submission of copies of relevant seat belt and child passenger protection statutes, plan and/or reports on statewide seatbelt enforcement and childseat education programs and possibly some traffic court records. In addition, States eligible to receive grant funds must submit a Program Cost Summary (Form 217), allocating section 405 funds to occupant protection programs.

Estimated Annual Burden: 1736.

Number of Respondents: 56.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collections and their expected burden. The **Federal Register** document with a 60-day comment period was published on April 23, 2001 [66 FR 20519-20520].

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 16, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: P.L. Moore at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Office of Safety Performance Standards (NPS-32), 202-366-5222. 400 Seventh Street, SW, Room 6240, Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Title: 49 CFR part 575.104; Uniform Tire Quality Grading Standard.

OMB Number: 2127-0519.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: Part 575 requires tire manufacturers and tire brand owners to submit reports to NHTSA regarding the UTQGS grades of all passenger car tire lines they offer for sale in the United States. This information issued by consumers of passenger car tires to compare tire quality in making their purchase decisions. The information is provided in several different ways to insure that the consumer can readily see and understand the tire grades: (1) The grades are molded into the sidewall of the tire so that they can be reviewed on both the new and old tires that are to be replaced; (2) a paper label is affixed to the tread face of the new tires that provides the grades of that particular tireline along with an explanation of the grading system; (3) tire manufacturers provide dealers with brochures for public distribution listing the grades of all tirelines they offer for sale; (4) NHTSA compiles the grading information of all manufacturer's tirelines into a booklet that is available to the public both in printed form and on the website.

Affected Public: All passenger car tire manufacturers and brand name owners offering passenger car tires for sale in the United States.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 79,650.

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 Departments 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.

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Associate Administrator for Administration.

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