Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 17, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493–6292), or Ms. Nakia Jackson, Office of Information Technology, RAD–20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493–6073). (These telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Public Law No. 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 display OMB control numbers and inform respondents of their legal significance once OMB approval is obtained. The following new FRA information collections were approved within the past twelve months: (1) OMB No. 2130-0574, Confidential Close Call Reporting System Evaluation-Related Interview Data Collection (Forms FRA F 6180.125A; FRA F 6180.125B). The expiration date for this information collection is January 31, 2011. (2) OMB No. 2130-0577, Work Schedules and Sleep Patterns of Train and Engine Service Employees (Forms FRA F 6180.127; FRA F 6180.128). The expiration date for this information collection is April 30, 2011. (3) OMB No. 2130-0576, Passenger Train Emergency Systems (49 CFR 218 and 238) (Final Rule). The expiration date for this information collection is March 31, 2011. (4) OMB No. 2130-0035, Railroad Operating Rules (49 CFR Parts 217 and 218) (Final Rule) (Human Factors). The expiration date for this information collection is May 31, 2011. (5) OMB No. 2130-0575, Solicitation of Applications and Notice of Funds Availability—Intercity Rail Service Program. The expiration date for this information collection is August 31, 2011. (6) OMB No. 2130–0035, Railroad Operating Rules (Response to Petitions for Reconsideration (49 CFR 217 and 218). The expiration date for this information collection is August 31, 2011. (7) OMB No. 2130-0573, Implementation of Program for Capital Grants for Rail Line Relocation and Improvement Projects (49 CFR 262). The expiration date for this information collection is October 31, 2011. (8) OMB No. 2130-0579, FRA Emergency Order No. 26. The expiration date for this information collection is May 31, 2009 (9) OMB No. 2130-0580, Notice of Funds Availability and Solicitation of Applications for Grants under the Railroad Rehabilitation and Repair Grant Program. The expiration date for

this information collection is June 30, 2009.

The following information collections were re-approved within the past year: (1.) OMB No. 2130-0524, Railroad Communications (49 CFR 220). The new expiration date for this information collection is January 31, 2011. (2.) OMB No. 2130-0500, Railroad Accident/ Incident Reporting and Recordkeeping (49 CFR 225) (Forms FRA F 6180.39i/ 54/55/55a/56/57/78/97/98/99). The new expiration date for this information collection is February 28, 2011. (3.) OMB No. 2130-0557, Safety Integration Plans (49 CFR 244). The new expiration date for this information collection is March 31, 2011. (4.) OMB No. 2130-0564, Locomotive Crashworthiness (49 CFR 229 and 238). The new expiration date for this information collection is March 31, 2011. (5.) OMB No. 2130-0565, Safety Appliance Concern Recommendation; Safety Appliance Standards Guidance Checklist Forms (Forms FRA F 6180.4(a)–(q)). The new expiration date for this information collection is March 31, 2011. (6.) OMB No. 2130-0566, Reflectorization of Freight Rolling Stock (49 CFR 224) (Form FRA F 6180.113). The new expiration date for this information collection is June 30, 2011. (7.) OMB No. 2130–0533, Qualifications for Locomotive Engineers (49 CFR 240). The new expiration date for this information collection is August 31, 2011. (8.) OMB No. 2130-0552, Locomotive Cab Sanitation Standards (49 CFR 229). The new expiration date for this information collection is August 31, 2011. (9.) OMB No. 2130-0553, Positive Train Control (49 CFR 236). The new expiration date for this information collection is August 31, 2011. (10.) OMB No. 2130-0539, Roadway Worker Protection (Roadway Maintenance Machines) (Form FRA F 6180.119). The new expiration date for this information collection is August 31, 2011. (11.) OMB No. 2130-0004, Railroad Locomotive Safety Standards and Event Recorders (49 CFR 229) (Form FRA F 6180.49A). The new expiration date for this information collection is August 31, 2011.

Persons affected by the above referenced information collections are not required to respond to any collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. These approvals by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) certify that FRA has complied with the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub L.104–13) and with 5 CFR 1320.5(b) by informing the public about OMB's approval of the information collection requirements of

the above cited regulations, studies, grant programs, and forms.

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

Issued in Washington, DC on December 22, 2008.

Kimberly Orben,

Director, Office of Financial Management, Federal Railroad Administration.

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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, 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 October 14, 2008. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 29, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: T.

Mitchell Hudson, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202–366–9373; or e-mail: Mitch.Hudson@dot.gov. Copies of this collection also can be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maritime Administration.

Title: Requirements for Eligibility of U.S.-Flag Vessels of 100 Feet or Greater in Registered Length to Obtain a Fishery Endorsement.

OMB Control No.: 2133–0530. Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affective Public: Vessel owners, charterers, mortgagees, mortgage trustees and managers of vessels of 100 feet or greater who seek a fishery endorsement for the vessel.

Forms: None.

Abstract: In accordance with the American Fisheries Act of 1998, owners of vessels of 100 feet or greater who wish to obtain a fishery endorsement to the vessel's documentation are required to file with the Maritime Administration (MARAD) an Affidavit of United States Citizenship and other supporting documentation.

Dates: Comments should be submitted on or before March 2, 2009.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 2,950 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: Maritime Administration Desk Officer.

Comments are invited on: 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; the accuracy of the agency'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 best assured of having its full effect, if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Dated: December 19, 2008.

Leonard Sutter,

Secretary, Maritime Administration. [FR Doc. E8-30954 Filed 12-29-08; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910-81-P

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 October 15, 2008, and comments were due by December 15, 2008. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 29, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Albert Bratton, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-5769 or e-mail: albert.bratton@dot.gov. Copies of this collection also can be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maritime Administration.

Title: Determination of Fair and Reasonable Rates for Carriage of Agriculture Cargoes on U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0514. Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: U.S. citizens who own and operate U.S.-flag vessels. Forms: MA-1025, MA-1026, and MA-172.

Abstract: This collection of information requires U.S.-flag operators to submit annual vessel operating costs and capital costs data to Maritime Administration officials. The information is used by the Maritime Administration in determining fair and reasonable guideline rates for the carriage of preference cargoes on U.S.flag vessels. In addition, U.S.-flag vessel operators are required to submit Post Voyage Reports to the Maritime Administration after completion of a cargo preference voyage.

Ännual Estimated Burden Hours: 600

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

Comments are Invited on: 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; the accuracy of the agency'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 best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Authority: 49 CFR 1.66.

Issued in Washington, DC on December 22, 2008.

Leonard Sutter,

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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 October 15, 2008, and comments were due by December 15, 2008. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 29, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Otto Strassburg, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE. Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-4161; or e-mail: Joe.strassburg@dot.gov. Copies of this collection also can be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maritime Administration (MARAD).

Title: Approval of Underwriters for Marine Hull Insurance.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0517. Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Marine insurance brokers and underwriters of marine insurance.

Forms: None.

Abstract: This collection of information involves the approval of marine hull underwriters to insure the Maritime Administration program vessels. Applicants will be required to submit financial data upon which the Maritime Administration's approval would be based. This information is needed in order that the Maritime Administration officials can evaluate the underwriters and determine their suitability for providing marine hull insurance on Maritime Administration vessels.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 46 hours.

Addressees: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, Northwest,