

with the oldest short CNS position(s). Thus, the Buy-In Position will be automatically exited from CNS one day earlier than is currently the case and the buy-in process under MSRB rules can likewise commence one day earlier.

III. Discussion

The Commission finds that the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to a registered clearing agency. In particular, the Commission believes the proposal is consistent with the requirements of Section 17A(b)(3)(F),⁴ which among other things, requires the rules of a clearing agency to promote the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions. By automating and accelerating the exiting of unsatisfied municipal securities Buy-In Positions, the new rule should expedite and make more efficient the processing of municipal securities buy-ins. As a result, the new rule should promote the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of such securities transactions.

IV. Conclusion

On the basis of the foregoing, the Commission finds that the proposal is consistent with the requirements of the Act and in particular with the requirements of Section 17A of the Act⁵ and the rules and regulations thereunder.

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,⁶ that the proposed rule change (File No. SR-NSCC-2006-12) be, and hereby is, approved.⁷

For the Commission by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁸

Florence E. Harmon,
Deputy Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration # 10793]

California Disaster # CA-00044 Declaration of Economic Injury

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of an Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) declaration for the State of California, dated 01/24/2007.

Incident: Freeze.

Incident Period: 01/11/2007 and continuing.

Effective Date: 01/24/2007.

EIDL Loan Application Deadline Date: 10/24/2007.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to:

U.S. Small Business Administration,
Processing And Disbursement Center,
14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that as a result of the Administrator's EIDL declaration, applications for economic injury disaster loans may be filed at the address listed above or other locally announced locations.

The following areas have been determined to be adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Counties

Alameda, Fresno, Glenn, Imperial, Kern, Kings, Lake, Los Angeles, Madera, Mendocino, Merced, Monterey, Riverside, San Benito, San Bernardino, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Tulare, Ventura.

Contiguous Counties

California: Butte, Colusa, Contra Costa, Humboldt, Inyo, Mariposa, Mono, Napa, Orange, San Diego, San Francisco, San Joaquin, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Tehama, Trinity, Tuolumne, Yolo. Arizona: La Paz, Mohave, Yuma. Nevada: Clark.

The Interest Rate is: 4.000.

The number assigned to this disaster for economic injury is: 107930.

The States which received an EIDL Declaration # are: California, Arizona, Nevada.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 59002)

Dated: January 24, 2007.

Steven C. Preston,
Administrator.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

National Small Business Development Center Advisory Board; Public Meeting

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), National Small Business Development Center Advisory Board will hold a public meeting via conference call on Tuesday, February 20, 2007 at 1 p.m. (EST).

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the upcoming SBA board meeting; the Association of Small Business Development Centers (ASBDC) Board meeting; and the detailed agenda of SBA presentations.

Anyone wishing to make an oral presentation to the Board must contact Erika Fischer, Senior Program Analyst, U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Small Business Development Centers, 409 3rd Street, SW., Washington, DC 20416, telephone (202) 205-7045 or fax (202) 481-0681.

Matthew Teague,

Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

[Docket No. FHWA-2007-27038]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Request for Comments for New Information Collection

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The FHWA has forwarded the information collection request described in this notice to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval of a new information collection. We published a **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day public comment period on this information collection on November 21, 2006. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Please submit comments by March 1, 2007.

ADDRESSES: You may 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 DOT Desk Officer. You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(F).

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1.

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁷ In approving the proposed rule change, the Commission considered the proposal's impact on efficiency, competition and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

⁸ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

necessary for the FHWA's performance; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized, including the use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information. All comments should include the Docket number FHWA-2007-27038.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Koontz, 202-366-2076, or Robert Kafalenos, 202-366-2079, Office of Natural and Human Environment, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Annual Reporting for the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program.

Background: Section 1808 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users of 2005 (SAFETEA-LU) calls for an identification and analysis of a representative sample of CMAQ projects and the development and population of a database that describes the impacts of the program both on traffic congestion levels and air quality. To establish and maintain this database, the FHWA is requesting States to submit annual reports on their CMAQ investments that cover projected air quality benefits, financial information, a brief description of projects, and several other factors outlined in the Interim Program Guidance for the CMAQ program. States are requested to provide the end of year summary reports via the automated system provided through FHWA by the first day of February of each year, covering the prior Federal fiscal year.

Respondents: 51; each State DOT and Washington, DC.

Estimated Average Burden Per Response: The estimated average reporting burden is 6 hours per annual report.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: The estimated total annual burden for all respondents is 306 hours.

Electronic Access: Internet users may access all comments received by the U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, by using the universal resource locator (URL): <http://dms.dot.gov>, 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. Please follow the instructions online for more information and help.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

Issued on: January 23, 2007.

James R. Kabel,

Chief, Management Programs and, Analysis Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2006-24843]

Notice of Request for Clearance of a New Information Collection: Commercial Driver's License Program Improvements and Commercial Driver's License Information System Modernization

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: This action informs the public that FMCSA intends to request that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approve a new information collection required by the Commercial Driver's License Program Improvements (CDLPI) and the Commercial Driver's License Information System Modernization grant programs. That information consists of grant application preparation and quarterly reports. The CDLPI grant program also requires States' to conduct a self-assessment of their Commercial Driver's License (CDL) programs. This notice is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Comments must be received by April 2, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Mail or hand deliver comments to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Dockets Management Facility, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, or submit electronically at <http://dms.dot.gov/submit>. Be sure to include the docket number appearing in the heading of this document on your comment. All comments received will be available for examination and copying at the above address from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. If you would like to be notified when your comment is received, you must include a self-addressed, stamped postcard or you may print the acknowledgment page that appears after submitting your comments electronically.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Lloyd Goldsmith, Federal Motor Carrier

Safety Administration, Office of Safety Programs, Commercial Driver's License Division (MC-ESL), 202-366-2964, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, 20590. Office hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Commercial Driver's License Program Improvements and Commercial Driver's License Information System Modernization.

OMB Control Number: 2126-xxxx.

Type of Request: New information collection.

Background: The CDL program was created by the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986 (CMVSA) [Public Law 99-570, 100 Stat. 3207-175, October 27, 1986] and its amending legislation. The goal of the CDL program is to improve highway safety by ensuring that drivers of large trucks and buses are qualified to operate those vehicles and to remove unsafe and unqualified drivers from the highways. CMVSA retained the States' right to issue a driver's license but established minimum national standards which States must meet when licensing commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers.

In CMVSA, Congress found that one of the leading impacts to CMV safety was the possession of multiple licenses by commercial drivers. Multiple licenses allowed drivers to spread their traffic violations over a number of licenses and to maintain a "good driver" rating regardless of the number of violations they may have acquired in one or more States. In response to the States' concerns, CMVSA directed DOT to establish Federal minimum standards to correct the multiple license issue, testing and licensing to check a person's ability to operate the types of vehicle he/she plans to operate, and to ensure that a person with a bad driving record is prohibited from operating a CMV.

These standards were designed to:

- Prohibit commercial drivers from possessing more than one CDL,
- Require that commercial drivers pass meaningful written and driving tests,
- Include special qualifications for hazardous materials drivers, and
- Establish disqualifications and penalties for drivers convicted of the traffic violations specified in 49 CFR 383.51.

States that failed to comply with the requirements imposed by DOT would be subject to withholding of a percentage of their Federal-aid highway funds. To enable the States to fully implement the provisions of CMVSA, Congress