

installation, and dredging at a property along the Hudson River in Ulster, New York.

DATES: The decision record for Appellant's federal consistency appeal of the New York State Department of State's objection closed on June 23, 2025.

ADDRESSES: NOAA has provided access to publicly available materials and related documents comprising the appeal record on the Federal eRulemaking Portal, <https://www.regulations.gov>, under Docket Number NOAA-HQ-2024-0152.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On December 13, 2024, the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) received a "Notice of Appeal" filed by Robert Hagopian, pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA), 16 U.S.C. 1451 *et seq.*, and implementing regulations found at 15 CFR part 930, subpart H. The Notice of Appeal is taken from an objection by the New York State Department of State to the Appellant's CZMA consistency certification for Appellant's pending permit application to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to perform shoreline stabilization, dock installation, and dredging at a property along the Hudson River in Ulster, New York.

Under the CZMA, the NOAA Administrator may override the New York State Department of State's objection on grounds that the project is consistent with the objectives or purposes of the CZMA, or otherwise necessary in the interest of national security. To make the determination that the proposed activity is "consistent with the objectives or purposes of the CZMA," the NOAA Administrator must find that: (1) The proposed activity furthers the national interest as articulated in sections 302 or 303 of the CZMA, in a significant or substantial manner; (2) the national interest furthered by the proposed activity outweighs the activity's adverse coastal effects, when those effects are considered separately or cumulatively; and (3) no reasonable alternative is available that would permit the proposed activity to be conducted in a manner consistent with the enforceable

policies of the applicable coastal management program. 15 CFR 930.121. To make the determination that the proposed activity is "necessary in the interest of national security," the NOAA Administrator must find that a national defense or other national security interest would be significantly impaired if the proposed activity is not permitted to go forward as proposed. 15 CFR 930.122. The Appellant bears the burden of submitting evidence in support of his appeal and the burden of persuasion. 15 CFR 930.127.

The NOAA Administrator must close the decision record in a federal consistency appeal 160 days after the Notice of Appeal is published in the **Federal Register**. 15 CFR 930.130(a)(1). However, the CZMA authorizes the NOAA Administrator to stay the closing of the decision record for up to 60 days when the NOAA Administrator determines it is necessary to receive, on an expedited basis, any supplemental information specifically requested by the NOAA Administrator to complete a consistency review or any clarifying information submitted by a party to the proceeding related to information in the consolidated record compiled by the lead federal permitting agency. 15 CFR 930.130(a)(2), (3).

After reviewing the decision record developed to date, the NOAA Chief of Staff, performing the duties of Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere and NOAA Administrator, has determined that it is not necessary to stay the closure of the decision record in this appeal. Consistent with the schedule contained in the CZMA and its implementing regulations, the decision record for Appellant's federal consistency appeal of the New York State Department of State's objection closed on June 23, 2025. No further information or briefs will be considered in deciding this appeal.

II. Public Availability of Appeal Documents

NOAA has provided access to publicly available materials and related documents comprising the appeal record on the Federal eRulemaking Portal, <https://www.regulations.gov>, under Docket Number NOAA-HQ-2024-0152.

(Authority: 15 CFR 930.130(a)(1))

Adam Dilts,

Chief, Oceans and Coasts Section, NOAA Office of the General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Patent Cooperation Treaty

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, invites comments on the extension and revision of an existing information collection: 0651-0021 (Patent Cooperation Treaty). The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comments preceding submission of the information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

DATES: To ensure consideration, you must submit comments regarding this information collection on or before August 22, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments by any of the following methods. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

- *Email:* InformationCollection@uspto.gov. Include "0651-0021 comment" in the subject line of the message.

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>.

- *Mail:* Justin Isaac, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Request for additional information should be directed to Rafael Bacares, Senior Legal Advisor, International Patent Legal Administration at: United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450; 571-272-3276; or Rafael.Bacares@uspto.gov with "0651-0021 comment" in the subject line. Additional information about this information collection is also available at <http://www.reginfo.gov> under "Information Collection Review."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Abstract**

This collection of information is required by the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT), which became operational in June 1978 and is administered by the International Bureau (IB) of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in Geneva, Switzerland. The provisions of the PCT have been implemented by the United States in part IV of title 35 of the U.S. Code (chapters 35–37) and subpart C of title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations (37 CFR 1.401–1.499). The purpose of the PCT is to provide a standardized filing format and procedure that allows an applicant to seek protection for an invention in several countries by filing one international application in one location, in one language, and paying one initial set of fees. The information in this collection is used by the public to submit a patent application under the PCT and by the USPTO, to fulfill its obligation to process, search, and examine the application as directed by the treaty.

The USPTO acts as the Receiving Office (RO/US) for international applications filed by residents and nationals of the United States. These applicants send most of their correspondence directly to the USPTO, but they may also file certain documents directly with the IB. The USPTO serves as an International Search Authority (ISA) to perform searches and issue international search reports (ISR) and the written opinions of international applications. The USPTO also issues international preliminary reports on patentability (IPRP Chapter II) when acting as an International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA).

The RO reviews the application and, if it contains all of the necessary information, assigns a filing date to the application. The RO maintains the home copy of the international application and forwards the record copy of the application to the IB and the search copy to the ISA. The IB maintains the record copy of all international

applications and publishes them 18 months after the earliest priority date, which is the earliest date for which a benefit is claimed. The ISA performs a search to determine whether there is any prior art relevant to the claims of the international application. Subsequently, the ISA issues an international search report and written opinion as to whether each claim is novel, involves an inventive step, and is industrially applicable. The ISA then forwards the international search report and written opinion to the applicant and the IB. The IB will normally publish the application and search report 18 months after the priority date, unless early publication is requested by the applicant. Until international publication, no third person or national or regional office is allowed access to the international patent application unless so requested or authorized by the applicant. If the applicant wishes to withdraw the application (and does so before international publication), international publication does not take place.

Under optional Chapter II of the Treaty, an applicant who has filed an international application in a RO must file a Demand for an international preliminary examination of the application by an IPEA, such as the USPTO. A Demand, including the form and required fees, must be filed within a prescribed time period. Usually, a Demand is filed with amendments and/or arguments under PCT Article 34 addressing objections raised in the Written Opinion of the International Search Authority (WOISA). The International preliminary examination is a second evaluation of the potential patentability of the claimed invention, including its amendments filed pursuant to article 34, using the same standards on which the written opinion of the ISA is based. A copy of the examination report is sent to both the applicant and to the IB. The IB then forwards a copy of the examination report to each Office elected by the applicant.

II. Method of Collection

The items in this information collection may be submitted electronically or in paper form by mail.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0651–0021.

Forms: (IB = International Bureau; IPEA = International Preliminary Examination Authority; RO = Receiving Office; SB = Specimen Book).

- PCT/RO/101 (Request and Fee Calculation Sheet)
- PCT/RO/134 (Indications Relating to Deposited Microorganism or Other Biological Material)
- PCT/IB/372 (Notice of Withdrawal)
- PCT/IPEA/401 (Demand and Fee Calculation Sheet)
- PTO/SB/64PCT (Petition for Revival of an International (PCT) Application for Patent Designating the U.S. Abandoned Unintentionally Under 37 CFR 1.137(a))
- PTO–1382 (Transmittal Letter to the United States Receiving Office (RO/US))
- PTO–1390 (Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/E.O./US) Concerning a Filing Under 35 U.S.C. 371)

Type of Review: Extension and revision of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: Private sector.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Frequency: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 412,493 respondents.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 412,493 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: The USPTO estimates that the responses in this information collection will take the public approximately 15 minutes (0.25 hours) to 4 hours to complete. This includes the time to gather the necessary information, create the document, and submit the completed item(s) to the USPTO.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 343,739 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Hourly Cost Burden: \$153,651,333.

TABLE 1—TOTAL BURDEN HOURS AND HOURLY COSTS TO PRIVATE SECTOR RESPONDENTS

Item No.	Item	Estimated annual respondents	Responses per respondent	Estimated annual responses	Estimated time for response (hours)	Estimated burden (hour/year)	Rate ¹ (\$/hour)	Estimated annual respondent cost burden
		(a)	(b)	(a) × (b) = (c)	(d)	(c) × (d) = (e)	(f)	(e) × (f) = (g)
1	Request and Fee Calculation Sheet (Annex and Notes).	52,400	1	52,400	1	52,400	\$447	\$23,422,800
2	Description/Claims/Drawings/Abstracts	52,400	1	52,400	3	157,200	447	70,268,400
3	Application Data Sheet (35 U.S.C. 371 Applications).	108,371	1	108,371	0.38 (23 minutes)	41,181	447	18,407,907
4	Transmittal Letter to the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).	13,926	1	13,926	0.25 (15 minutes)	3,482	447	1,556,454

TABLE 1—TOTAL BURDEN HOURS AND HOURLY COSTS TO PRIVATE SECTOR RESPONDENTS—Continued

Item No.	Item	Estimated annual respondents	Responses per respondent	Estimated annual responses	Estimated time for response (hours)	Estimated burden (hour/year)	Rate ¹ (\$/hour)	Estimated annual respondent cost burden
		(a)	(b)	(a) × (b) = (c)	(d)	(c) × (d) = (e)	(f)	(e) × (f) = (g)
5	Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) Concerning a Submission Under 35 U.S.C. 371.	94,228	1	94,228	0.25 (15 minutes)	23,557	447	10,529,979
6	PCT/Model of Power of Attorney	13,371	1	13,371	0.25 (15 minutes)	3,343	447	1,494,321
7	PCT/Model of General Power of Attorney ...	1,486	1	1,486	0.25 (15 minutes)	372	447	166,284
8	Indications Relating to a Deposited Micro-organism.	10	1	10	0.25 (15 minutes)	3	447	1,341
9	Response to Invitation to Correct Defects ...	18,609	1	18,609	2	37,218	447	16,636,446
10	Request for Rectification of Obvious Errors	1,989	1	1,989	0.50 (30 minutes)	995	447	444,765
11	Demand and Fee Calculation Sheet (Annex and Notes).	688	1	688	1	688	447	307,536
12	Amendments (Article 34)	611	1	611	1	611	447	273,117
13	Fee Authorization	48,600	1	48,600	0.25 (15 minutes)	12,150	447	5,431,050
14	Requests to Transmit Copies of International Application.	514	1	514	0.25 (15 minutes)	129	447	57,663
15	Withdrawal of International Application	225	1	225	0.25 (15 minutes)	56	447	25,032
16	English Translations After Thirty Months from Priority Date.	3,238	1	3,238	2	6,476	447	2,894,772
17	Petition for Revival of an International Application for Patent Designating the U.S. Abandoned Unintentionally Under 37 CFR 1.137(a).	928	1	928	1	928	447	414,816
18	Petitions to the Commissioner for International Applications.	49	1	49	4	196	447	87,612
19	Petitions to the Commissioner in National Stage Examination.	424	1	424	4	1,696	447	758,112
20	Acceptance of an Unintentionally Delayed Claim for Priority (37 CFR 1.78(a)(3)).	220	1	220	2	440	447	196,680
21	Request for the Restoration of the Right of Priority.	206	1	206	3	618	447	276,246
Totals		412,493	.....	412,493	.....	343,739	.....	153,651,333

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Non-hourly Cost Burden: \$452,878,858. There are no capital start-up costs, maintenance costs, or recordkeeping costs associated with this information collection. However, the USPTO

estimates that the total annual non-hour cost burden for this information collection, in the form of filing fees, translations, drawings, and postage, is \$452,878,858.

Filing Fees

There are fees associated with submitting the information in this collection, for a total of \$285,961,858 per year, as outlined in Table 2 below.

TABLE 2—FILING FEES

Item No.	Fee code	Item	Estimated annual responses	Filing fee (\$)	Non-hourly cost burden
			(a)	(b)	(a) × (b) = (c)
1	1702	Request and Fee Calculation Sheet (Annex and Notes—International Filing Fee) first 30 pages.	26	\$1,457	\$37,882
1	1701	Request and Fee Calculation Sheet (Annex and Notes—International Filing Fee electronically filed without ePCT or PCT—EASY zip file).	11,865	1,347	15,982,155
1	1710	Request and Fee Calculation Sheet (Annex and Notes—International Filing Fee electronically filed with ePCT or PCT—EASY zip file).	40,433	1,238	50,056,054
2	1614	[PCT National Stage] Claims—extra independent (over three) (Undiscounted entity).	8,143	600	4,885,800
2	2614	PCT National Stage] Claims—extra independent (over three) (Small entity).	2,724	240	653,760
2	3614	PCT National Stage] Claims—extra independent (over three) (Micro entity).	100	120	12,000
2	1615	[PCT National Stage] Claims—extra total (over 20) (Undiscounted entity).	11,162	200	2,232,400
2	2615	[PCT National Stage] Claims—extra total (over 20) (Small entity)	7,010	80	560,800

¹ 2023 Report of the Economic Survey, published by the Committee on Economics of Legal Practice of the American Intellectual Property Law

Association; pg. F–41. The USPTO uses the average billing rate for intellectual property work in all firms which is \$447 per hour ([https://](https://www.aipla.org/home/news-publications/economic-survey)

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TABLE 2—FILING FEES—Continued

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			(a)	(b)	(a) × (b) = (c)
2	3615	[PCT National Stage] Claims—extra total (over 20) (Micro entity)	204	40	8,160
2	1616	[PCT National Stage] Claim—multiple dependent (Undiscounted entity).	453	925	419,025
2	2616	[PCT National Stage] Claim—multiple dependent (Small entity)	509	370	188,330
2	3616	[PCT National Stage] Claim—multiple dependent (Micro entity)	54	185	9,990
3	1681	National Stage Application Size Fee—for each additional 50 sheets that exceed 100 sheets (Undiscounted entity).	4,273	450	1,922,850
3	2681	National Stage Application Size Fee—for each additional 50 sheets that exceed 100 sheets (Small entity).	3,175	180	571,500
3	3681	National Stage Application Size Fee—for each additional 50 sheets that exceed 100 sheets (Micro entity).	32	90	2,880
3	1602	Search fee—regardless of whether there is a corresponding application (see 35 U.S.C. 361(d) and PCT Rule 16) (Undiscounted entity).	6,586	2,400	15,806,400
3	2602	Search fee—regardless of whether there is a corresponding application (see 35 U.S.C. 361(d) and PCT Rule 16) (Small entity).	14,049	960	13,487,040
3	3602	Search fee—regardless of whether there is a corresponding application (see 35 U.S.C. 361(d) and PCT Rule 16) (Micro entity).	722	480	346,560
3	1604	Supplemental search fee when required, per additional invention (Undiscounted entity).	265	2,400	636,000
3	2604	Supplemental search fee when required, per additional invention (Small entity).	528	960	506,880
3	3604	Supplemental search fee when required, per additional invention (Micro entity).	31	480	14,880
3	1631	Basic National Stage Fee (Undiscounted entity)	78,355	350	27,424,250
3	2631	Basic National Stage Fee (Small entity)	28,565	140	3,999,100
3	3631	Basic National Stage Fee (Micro entity)	1,451	70	101,570
3	N/A	National Stage Search Fee—U.S. was the ISA or IPEA and all claims satisfy PCT Article 33(1)–(4).	741	0	0
3	1641	National Stage Search Fee—U.S. was the ISA (Undiscounted entity)	2,596	150	389,400
3	2641	National Stage Search Fee—U.S. was the ISA (Small entity)	6,815	60	408,900
3	3641	National Stage Search Fee—U.S. was the ISA (Micro entity)	213	30	6,390
3	1642	National Stage Search Fee—search report prepared and provided to USPTO (Undiscounted entity).	74,373	580	43,136,340
3	2642	National Stage Search Fee—search report prepared and provided to USPTO (Small entity).	20,551	232	4,767,832
3	3642	National Stage Search Fee—search report prepared and provided to USPTO (Micro entity).	1,096	116	127,136
3	1632	National Stage Search Fee—all other situations (Undiscounted entity).	1,116	770	859,320
3	2632	National Stage Search Fee—all other situations (Small entity)	766	308	235,928
3	3632	National Stage Search Fee—all other situations (Micro entity)	104	154	16,016
3	1633	National Stage Examination Fee—all other situations (Undiscounted entity).	78,048	880	68,682,240
3	2633	National Stage Examination Fee—all other situations (Small entity) ..	28,108	352	9,894,016
3	3633	National Stage Examination Fee—all other situations (Micro entity) ..	1,410	176	248,160
3	1605	Preliminary examination fee—U.S. was the ISA (Undiscounted entity).	146	705	102,930
3	2605	Preliminary examination fee—U.S. was the ISA (Small entity)	375	282	105,750
3	3605	Preliminary examination fee—U.S. was the ISA (Micro entity)	58	141	8,178
3	1606	Preliminary examination fee—U.S. was not the ISA (Undiscounted entity).	94	880	82,720
3	2606	Preliminary examination fee—U.S. was not the ISA (Small entity)	23	352	8,096
3	3606	Preliminary examination fee—U.S. was not the ISA (Micro entity)	1	176	176
3	1607	Supplemental examination fee per additional invention (Undiscounted entity).	5	705	3,525
3	2607	Supplemental examination fee per additional invention (Small entity)	23	282	6,486
3	3607	Supplemental examination fee per additional invention (Micro entity)	1	141	141
3	1617	Search fee, examination fee or oath of declaration after thirty months from priority date (Undiscounted entity).	20,529	170	3,489,930
3	2617	Search fee, examination fee or oath of declaration after thirty months from priority date (Small entity).	11,479	68	780,572
3	3617	Search fee, examination fee or oath of declaration after thirty months from priority date (Micro entity).	250	34	8,500
4	1601	Transmittal fee (Undiscounted entity)	32,857	285	9,364,245
4	2601	Transmittal fee (Small entity)	18,756	114	2,138,184
4	3601	Transmittal fee (Micro entity)	787	57	44,859
11	N/A	Demand and Fee Calculation Sheet (Annex and Notes)	688	216	148,608

TABLE 2—FILING FEES—Continued

Item No.	Fee code	Item	Estimated annual responses	Filing fee (\$)	Non-hourly cost burden
			(a)	(b)	(a) × (b) = (c)
14	1621	Transmitting application to Intl. Bureau to act as receiving office (Undiscounted entity).	239	285	68,115
14	2621	Transmitting application to Intl. Bureau to act as receiving office (Small entity).	242	114	27,588
14	3621	Transmitting application to Intl. Bureau to act as receiving office (Micro entity).	33	57	1,881
16	1618	English translation after thirty months from priority date (Undiscounted entity).	2,263	150	339,450
16	2618	English translation after thirty months from priority date (Small entity).	1,328	60	79,680
16	3618	English translation after thirty months from priority date (Micro entity)	84	30	2,520
17	1628	Petition for the extension of the twelve-month (six-month for designs) period for filing a subsequent application (undiscounted entity).	52	2,260	117,520
17	2628	Petition for the extension of the twelve-month (six-month for designs) period for filing a subsequent application (small entity).	78	904	70,512
17	3628	Petition for the extension of the twelve-month (six-month for designs) period for filing a subsequent application (micro entity).	20	452	9,040
20	1454	Petition for the delayed submission of a priority or benefit claim, an unintentionally delayed claim for priority or benefit, delay less than or equal to two years (undiscounted entity).	83	2,260	187,580
20	2454	Petition for the delayed submission of a priority or benefit claim, delay less than or equal to two years (small entity).	127	904	114,808
20	3454	Petition for the delayed submission of a priority or benefit claim, delay less than or equal to two years (micro entity).	10	452	4,520
20	1469	Petition for the delayed submission of a priority or benefit claim, delay greater than two years (undiscounted entity).	2	3,000	6,000
20	2469	Petition for the delayed submission of a priority or benefit claim, delay greater than two years (small entity).	1	1,200	1,200
20	3469	Petition for the delayed submission of a priority or benefit claim, delay greater than two years (micro entity).	1	600	600
Totals	.....	.....	527,287	.....	285,961,858

Translations

If the international application was filed in another language and was not published under PCT Article 21(2) in English, applicants entering the national stage in the United States are required to file an English translation of the international application.²

A processing fee is required for accepting an English translation after 30 months from the priority date. This requirement may carry additional costs for the applicant to contract for a translation of the documents in questions. The USPTO believes that the average length of the document to be translated is 10 pages and that it will cost approximately \$140 per page for the translation for an average translation cost of \$1,400 per document.

The USPTO estimates that it will receive approximately 3,238 English translations after 30 months from the priority date annually, for a total of \$4,533,200 per year for English

translations of non-English language documents for PCT applications.

Drawings

Applicants may also incur costs for drawings that are submitted as part of PCT applications. Some applicants may produce their own drawings, while others may contract out the work to various patent illustration firms. For the purpose of estimating burden for this collection, the USPTO considers that all applicants will have their drawings prepared by these firms. According to WIPO information, the average cost to produce a drawing is \$1,150.

The USPTO expects that it will receive 141,166 sets of drawings for a total of \$162,340,900 per year for drawing costs for PCT applications.

Postage Costs

Although the USPTO prefers that the items in this information collection be submitted electronically, responses may be submitted by mail through the United States Postal Service. The USPTO estimates that 1% of the 412,493 items will be submitted in the mail,

resulting in 4,125 mailed items. The USPTO estimates that the average postage cost for a mailed submission, using a Priority Mail legal flat rate envelope, is \$10.40. Therefore, the USPTO estimates the total annual mailing costs for this information collection are \$42,900.

IV. Request for Comments

The USPTO is soliciting public comments to:

(a) Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

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

(c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated,

² <https://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/mpep-9025-appx-t.html#d0e363622>.

electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

All comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. The USPTO will include or summarize each comment in the request to OMB to approve this information collection. Before including an address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information (PII) in a comment, be aware that the entire comment—including PII—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask in your comment to withhold PII from public view, the USPTO cannot guarantee that it will be able to do so.

Justin Isaac,

Information Collections Officer, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

[Docket No. CPSC–2012–0054]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Extension of Collection; Comment Request; Safety Standard for Automatic Residential Garage Door Operators

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Information Collection; Request for Comment.

SUMMARY: As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC or Commission) requests comments on a proposed extension of approval of information collection requirements associated with the Safety Standard for Automatic Residential Garage Door Operators. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) previously approved the collection of information under control number 3041–0125. OMB's most recent extension of approval will expire on September 30, 2025. The Commission will consider all comments received in response to this notice before requesting an extension of this collection of information from OMB.

DATES: Submit comments on the collection of information by August 22, 2025.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CPSC–2012–0054, within 60 days of publication of

this notice by any of the following methods:

Electronic Submissions: Submit electronic comments to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at: <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. Do not submit through this website: confidential business information, trade secret information, or other sensitive or protected information that you do not want to be available to the public. The Commission typically does not accept comments submitted by email, except as described below.

Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier/Written Submissions: CPSC encourages you to submit electronic comments by using the Federal eRulemaking Portal. You may, however, submit comments by mail/hand delivery/courier to: Office of the Secretary, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone (301) 504–7479.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this notice. CPSC may post all comments without change, including any personal identifiers, contact information, or other personal information provided, to: <https://www.regulations.gov>. If you wish to submit confidential business information, trade secret information, or other sensitive or protected information that you do not want to be available to the public, you may submit such comments by mail, hand delivery, or courier, or you may email them to cpsc-os@cpsc.gov.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to: <https://www.regulations.gov>, insert docket number CPSC–2012–0054 into the “Search” box, and follow the prompts.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cynthia Gillham, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; (301) 504–7791, or by email to: pra@cpsc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: CPSC seeks to renew the following currently approved collection of information:

Title: Standard for Automatic Residential Garage Door Operators.

OMB Number: 3041–0125.

Type of Review: Renewal of collection.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Affected Public: Manufacturers, importers, and private labelers of automatic residential garage door operators.

General Description of Collection: On December 22, 1992, the Commission issued rules prescribing requirements

for a reasonable testing program to support certificates of compliance with the Safety Standard for Automatic Residential Garage Door Operators (57 FR 60449). These regulations also require manufacturers, importers, and private labelers of residential garage door operators to establish and maintain records to demonstrate compliance with the requirements for testing to support certification of compliance. 16 CFR part 1211, subparts B and C.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

An estimated 17 firms that conduct performance tests and maintain records based on the test results to retain UL certification and verify compliance with the rule.

Estimated Time per Response: Based on staff's review of industry sources, each respondent will spend an estimated 40 hours (35 hours for PRA burden associated with testing and 5 hours for recordkeeping) annually on the collection of information related to the rule.

Total Estimated Annual Burden: 680 hours (17 firms × 40 hours).

Total Estimated Annual Cost to Respondents: Using compensation data available from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), Employer Costs for Employee Compensation (December 2024, https://www.bls.gov/news.release/archives/eccec_03142025.pdf), staff estimates that the total annual cost of the PRA burden associated with the testing requirement is estimated to be about \$45,101, based on an hourly rate of \$75.80 as total compensation for management, professional, and related occupations in goods-producing private industries (17 firms × 35 hours × \$75.80). Staff also estimates that the total annual cost of the recordkeeping burden is estimated to be about \$3,472 based on an hourly rate of \$40.85 for sales and office workers (17 firms × 5 hours × \$40.85). Therefore, the total burden cost is about \$48,573 (\$45,101 + \$3,472). This estimate includes professional and clerical time that may be spent to retrieve product data from automated or other records systems, explain firm practices/policies intended to assure compliance with the standard, or accompany Commission personnel during inspections.

Request for Comments: The Commission solicits written comments from all interested persons about the proposed collection of information. The Commission specifically solicits information relevant to the following topics:

- whether the collection of information described above is necessary for the proper performance of the Commission's functions, including