

Taking into account the universe established (59 entities) and those that have disseminated a VSSA or suggested a web page through the VSSA Index (27), NHTSA believes there is a potential for another 32 entities to publish a VSSA; however, the maturity of the entity itself, the development of the ADS, and the partnerships established within the industry, NHTSA does not assume all 32 will develop a VSSA over the coming three years. This is bolstered by the fact that it has taken seven years for dissemination of 27 VSSAs.

NHTSA will use the most recent three-year average of four VSSAs per year for an estimation of VSSA dissemination or publication for the duration of this information collection extension. Therefore, the number of respondents annually is four and the frequency is once per year.

Estimating Burden for Each Respondent: Components of the Voluntary Guidance in *ADS 2.0* and public disclosure of the VSSA have not changed since release in 2017. Therefore, these estimates of time to summarize how an entity is addressing the safety elements remains the same as the current information collection. NHTSA has not received comments that these estimates are erroneous.

Development of a VSSA is expected to involve burden for format, content, and summary, varying by safety element. NHTSA estimates that each entity will spend approximately 600 hours to develop and disseminate a VSSA. Table 2 provides a breakdown of burden hours by safety element.

TABLE 2—BURDEN HOURS ESTIMATES FOR VSSA, PER SAFETY ELEMENT

Safety element in voluntary guidance	Burden hours for VSSA development
A. System Safety	30
B. Operational Design Domain	25
C. Object and Event Detection and Response	45
D. Fallback	90
E. Validation Methods	90
F. Human Machine Interface	25
G. Vehicle Cybersecurity	25
H. Crashworthiness	25
I. Post-Crash ADS Behavior	25
J. Data Recording	90
K. Consumer Education and Training	45
L. Federal, State, and Local Laws	85
Total Burden Hours Per ADS	600

TABLE 3—CALCULATION OF ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS

Estimated Annual Respondents	4
Estimated Burden Hours for Voluntary Assessment Dissemination	600
Total Estimated Burden Hours for Industry per Year	2,400

The change reflected in this extension is a reduction of 9,600 burden hours annually.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Cost: \$282,384.

NHTSA estimates the hourly cost associated with preparing VSSAs to be \$117.66¹ per hour using the Bureau of Labor Statistics' mean hourly wage estimate for architectural and engineering managers in the motor vehicle manufacturing industry (Standard Occupational Classification # 11-9041). Therefore, the estimated annual burden to each respondent is \$70,596 (600 hours × \$117.66). Therefore, the annual estimated labor costs to all respondents to this collection is \$282,384. This reflects a decrease of \$885,936 for labor costs annually.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspects of this information collection, including (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the Department'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.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as

¹ The hourly wage is estimated to be \$82.83 per hour. National Industry-Specific Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates NAICS 336100—Motor Vehicle Manufacturing, May 2023, https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics4_336100.htm, last accessed October 9, 2024. The Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates that wages represent 70.2 percent of total compensation to private workers, on average. Therefore, NHTSA estimates the total hourly compensation cost to be \$117.66.

amended; 49 CFR 1.49; and DOT Order 1351.29A.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of the Fiscal Service

Proposed Collection of Information: Request for Payment of Federal Benefit by Check, EFT Waiver Form

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Currently the Bureau of the Fiscal Service within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Request for Payment of Federal Benefit by Check, EFT Waiver Form.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before December 23, 2024 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments and requests for additional information to Bureau of the Fiscal Service, Bruce A. Sharp, Room #4006–A, P.O. Box 1328, Parkersburg, WV 26106–1328, or bruce.sharp@fiscal.treasury.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Request for Payment of Federal Benefit by Check, EFT Waiver Form.

OMB Number: 1530–0019.

Form Number: FS Form 1201W, FS Form 1201W–DFAS, FS Form 1201W (SP).

Abstract: 31 CFR part 208 requires that all Federal non-tax payments be made by electronic funds transfer (EFT). The forms are used to collect information from individuals requesting a waiver from the EFT requirement because of a mental impairment, living in a remote geographic location that does not support the use of EFT, or persons born on or before May 1, 1921. These individuals may continue to receive payment by check. However, 31 CFR part 208 requires individuals requesting one of these waiver conditions to submit a written justification that is notarized by a notary public. In order to assist individuals

with this submission, Treasury has prepared waiver forms in order to collect all necessary information.

Current Actions: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,250.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 20 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,083.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: 1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; 2. the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; 3. ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; 4. ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and 5. estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: October 18, 2024.

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Bureau PRA Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of the Fiscal Service

Proposed Collection of Information: Annual Letters—Certificates of Authority (A) and Admitted Reinsurer (B)

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Currently the Bureau of the Fiscal Service within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning Annual Letters—Certificates of Authority (A) and Admitted Reinsurer (B).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before December 23, 2024 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments and requests for additional information to Bureau of the Fiscal Service, Bruce A. Sharp, Room #4006–A, P.O. Box 1328, Parkersburg, WV 26106–1328, or bruce.sharp@fiscal.treasury.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Annual Letters—Certificates of Authority (A) and Admitted Reinsurer (B).

OMB Number: 1530–0014.

Abstract: The information is collected so that Treasury can make the appropriate determinations as to the renewal of the Certificates of Authority of currently certified companies and the renewal of companies currently recognized by Treasury as Admitted Reinsurers. Included in the package is the Annual Letter to Executive Officers of Surety Companies Reporting to the Treasury (A) and the Annual Letter to Executive Officers of Companies Recognized by the Treasury as Admitted Reinsurers of Surety Companies Doing

Business with the United States Government (B). The Secretary of the Treasury has been given authority pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9304–9308 to certify insurance companies wishing to write or reinsure federal surety bonds. The authority has been further codified at 31 CFR part 223.9 which specifies guidelines applicable to companies seeking certification while part 223.12 specifies requirements applicable to companies seeking recognition as an Admitted Reinsurer.

Current Actions: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 341.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 18.75 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 6,394.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: 1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; 2. the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; 3. ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; 4. ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and 5. estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

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