Wert, Acting National Ombudsman, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW, Washington, DC 20416, no later than August 24, 2001 via telephone (202) 205–2417 e-mail ombudsman@sba.gov or fax (202) 481– 5719.

Steve Tupper,

Committee Management Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2001-10456]

Information Collection Available for Public Comments and Recommendations

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Maritime Administration's (MARAD's) intentions to request extension of approval for three years of a currently approved information collection.

DATES: Comments should be submitted on or before October 23, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Philip Budwick, Maritime Administration, MAR 226, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202–366–5167 or FAX: 202– 366–7485. Copies of this collection can also be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Requirements for Establishing U.S. Citizenship.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2133–0012. Form Numbers: Special Format. Expiration Date of Approval: March 31 2002

Summary of Collection of Information: In accordance with the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, participants in the various programs offered by the Maritime Administration (MARAD) must be citizens of the United States within the meaning of Section 2 of the Shipping Act, 1916, as amended. In addition, the participants in the programs must file annually an affidavit with MARAD attesting to their continuing citizenship.

Need and Use of the Information: MARAD will review the Affidavits of U.S. Citizenship to determine if the applicants are eligible to participate in the programs offered by agency. Annual Responses: 300. Annual Burden: 1,500 hours.

Comments: Comments should refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document. Written comments may be submitted to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Comments may also be submitted by electronic means via the Internet at http://dmses.dot.gov/submit. Specifically address whether this information collection is necessary for proper performance of the functions of the agency and will have practical utility, accuracy of the burden estimates, ways to minimize this burden, and ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected. All comments received will be available for examination at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. EDT, Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. An electronic version of this document is available on the World Wide Web at http://dms.dot.gov.

Dated: August 20, 2001.

By order of the Maritime Administrator. **Joel C. Richard,**

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket NHTSA-99-5087]

Safety Performance Standards Program Meeting

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of NHTSA Rulemaking Status Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a public meeting at which NHTSA will answer questions from the public and the automobile industry regarding the agency's vehicle regulatory program. **DATES:** The Agency's regular public meeting relating to its vehicle regulatory program will be held on Wednesday, November 14, 2001, beginning at 9:45 a.m. and ending at approximately 12:00 p.m. at the Best Western Gateway International Hotel, 9191 Wickham, Romulus, Michigan. Questions relating to the vehicle regulatory program must be submitted in writing with a diskette (Microsoft Word) by Monday, October 22, 2001, to the address shown below or by e-mail. If sufficient time is available, questions received after October 22, may

be answered at the meeting. The individual, group or company submitting a questions(s) does not have to be present for the questions(s) to be answered. A consolidated list of the questions submitted by October 22, 2001, and the issues to be discussed, will be posted on NHTSA's web site (www.nhtsa.dot.gov) by Friday, November 9, 2001, and also will be available at the meeting. The agency will hold a second public meeting on November 14, devoted exclusively to a presentation of research and development programs. This meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m. and end at approximately 5:00 p.m. This meeting is described more fully in a separate announcement. The next NHTSA Public Meeting will take place on Thursday, March 14, 2002, at the Best Western Gateway International Hotel, 9191 Wickham, Romulus, Michigan.

ADDRESSES: Questions for the November 14, NHTSA Rulemaking Status Meeting, relating to the agency's vehicle regulatory program, should be submitted to Delia Lopez, NPS-01, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Room 5401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, Fax Number 202-366-4329, email dlopez@nhtsa.dot.gov. The meeting will be held at the Best Western Gateway International Hotel, 9191 Wickham, Romulus, Michigan. The telephone number for the Gateway International Hotel is 734-728-2800.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Delia Lopez, (202) 366–1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NHTSA holds regular public meetings to answer questions from the public and the regulated industries regarding the agency's vehicle regulatory program. Questions on aspects of the agency's research and development activities that relate directly to ongoing regulatory actions should be submitted, as in the past, to the agency's Safety Performance Standards Office. Transcripts of these meetings will be available for public inspection in the DOT Docket in Washington, DC, within four weeks after the meeting. Copies of the transcript will then be available at ten cents a page, (length has varied from 80 to 150 pages) upon request to DOT Docket, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. The DOT Docket is open to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The transcript may also be accessed electronically at http:/ /dms.dot.gov, at docket NHTSA-99-5087. Questions to be answered at the public meeting should be organized by categories to help us process the