

(the engine and transmission), as a supplement to the antitheft device. Like those earlier antitheft devices GM used, the device on which this petition is based also lacks an alarm system. Accordingly, it cannot perform one of the functions listed in 49 CFR part 543.6(a)(3), that is, it cannot call attention to unauthorized attempts to enter or move the vehicle.

After deciding those petitions, however, the agency obtained theft data that show declining theft rates for GM vehicles equipped with either version of the PASS-Key device. Based on that data, it concluded that the lack of a visible or audible alarm had not prevented the antitheft device from being effective protection against theft and granted two GM petitions for full exemptions for four car lines equipped with the PASS-Key II device. The agency granted in full the petition for the Buick Riviera and Oldsmobile Aurora car lines beginning with model year 1995, (see 58 FR 44872, August 25, 1993), and the Chevrolet Lumina (Lumina/Monte Carlo) and Buick Regal car lines beginning with model year 1996, (see 60 FR 25938, May 15, 1995). In those instances, the agency concluded that a full exemption was warranted because PASS-Key II had shown itself as likely as parts-marking to be effective protection against theft despite the absence of a visible or audible alarm.

The agency concludes that, given the similarities between the PASS-Key III device and the earlier PASS-Key devices (PASS-Key and PASS-Key II), it is reasonable to assume that PASS-Key III device, like those devices, will be as effective as parts-marking in deterring theft. The agency believes that the device will provide the other types of performance listed in 49 CFR 543.6(a)(3): promoting activation; preventing defeat or circumvention of the device by unauthorized persons; preventing operation of the vehicle by unauthorized entrants; and ensuring the reliability and durability of the device.

NHTSA has also granted for petitions for modification of an exemption in full for seven car lines which have the "PASS-Key III" device as standard equipment. Those lines are the Buick Park Avenue (see 61 FR 25734, May 22, 1996) beginning with the 1997 model year, the Cadillac Seville (see 62 FR 20058, April 24, 1997) beginning with the 1998 model year, the Cadillac DeVille, Pontiac Bonneville, Buick LeSabre and Oldsmobile Aurora (see 64 FR 29736, June 2, 1999) and the Chevrolet Venture (see 66 FR 24179, May 11, 2001) beginning with the 2002 model year.

As required by 49 U.S.C. 33106 and 49 CFR 543.6(a)(4) and (5), the agency finds that GM has provided adequate reasons for its belief that the antitheft device will reduce and deter theft. This conclusion is based on the information GM provided about its antitheft device, some of which includes confidential information describing reliability and functional tests conducted by GM for the antitheft device and its components. GM requested confidential treatment for some of the information and attachments submitted in support of its position. In a letter to GM dated March 22, 2001, the agency granted the petitioner's request for confidential treatment of these materials.

For the foregoing reasons, the agency hereby grants in full GM's petition for exemption for the MY 2003 Pontiac Grand Prix vehicle line from the parts-marking requirements of 49 CFR part 541.

If GM decides not to use the exemption for this line, it must notify the agency formally, and thereafter must mark the line fully as required by 49 CFR 541.5 and 541.6 (marking of major component parts and replacement parts).

NHTSA notes that if GM wishes in the future to modify the device on which this exemption is based, the company may have to submit a petition to modify the exemption. § 543.7(d) states that a part 543 exemption applies only to vehicles that belong to a line exempted under this part and equipped with the antitheft device on which the line's exemption is based. Further § 543.9(c)(2) provides for the submission of petitions "to modify an exemption to permit the use of an antitheft device similar to but differing from the one specified in that exemption."

The agency did not intend in drafting part 543 to require the submission of a modification petition for every change to the components or design of an antitheft device. The significance of many such changes could be *de minimis*. The agency wishes to minimize the administrative burden which § 543.9(c)(2) could place on exempted vehicle manufacturers and itself. Therefore, NHTSA suggests that if the manufacturer contemplates making any changes the effects of which might be characterized by *de minimis*, it should consult the agency before preparing and submitting a petition to modify.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 33106; delegation of authority at 49 CFR 1.50.

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Associate Administrator for Safety Performance Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

June 12, 2001.

The Department of the Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before July 20, 2001 to be assured of consideration.

Departmental Offices/Office of Financial Institutions Policy

OMB Number: 1505-0179.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Financial Subsidiaries (Interim Final Rule).

Description: Pursuant to Section 5136A(b)(3) of the Revised Statutes, the interim rule finds three general types of activities to be financial in nature, and creates a mechanism by which national banks or others may request that the Secretary define particular activities within one of the three categories.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent: 20 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 100 hours.

OMB Number: 1505-0182.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Merchant Banking Investments.

Description: The rule requires financial holding companies engaged in merchant banking activities to have and maintain certain policies, procedures, records and systems to monitor and manage such activities and the risks associated with such activities in a safe and sound manner.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Recordkeepers: 450.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Recordkeeper: 50 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Recordkeeping Burden: 22,500 hours.

Clearance Officer: Lois K. Holland (202) 622-1563, Departmental Offices, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20220.

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt (202) 395-7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

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U.S. Customs Service (CUS)

OMB Number: 1515-0206.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Voluntary Customer Information Surveys in Support of Executive Order 12862.

Description: These voluntary customer surveys are used to implement E.O. 12862 by obtaining quantitative customer data for the purpose of evaluating customer satisfaction.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, Individuals or households, Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6,500.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 25 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.
Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 2,750 hours.

Clearance Officer: J. Edgar Nichols (202) 927-1426 or, Tracey Denning (202) 927-1429, U.S. Customs Service, Information Services Branch, Ronald Reagan Building, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Room 3.2.C, Washington, DC 20229.

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt (202) 395-7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

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DATES: Written comments should be received on or before July 20, 2001 to be assured of consideration.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-0798.

Regulation Project Number: 26 CFR 31.6001.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: 26 CFR 31.6001-1 *Records in General*; 26 CFR 31.6001-2 *Additional Records under FICA*; 26 CFR 31.6001-3 *Additional Records Under Railroad Retirement Tax Act*; 26 CFR 31.6001-5 *Additional Records in Connection with Collection of Income Tax at Source on Wages*; 26 CFR 31.6001-6 *Notice by District Director Requiring Returns, Statements, or the Keeping of Records.*

Description: Internal Revenue Code (IRC) section 6001 requires, in part, that every person liable for tax, or for the collection of that tax keep such records and comply with such rules and regulations as the Secretary may from time to time prescribe. 26 CFR 31.6001 has special application to employment

taxes. These records are needed to ensure compliance with the Code.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, Individuals or households, Not-for-profit institutions, Farms, Federal Government, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Recordkeepers: 5,676,263.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Recordkeeper: 5 hours, 20 minutes.

Estimated Total Recordkeeping Burden: 30,273,950 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-0800.

Regulation Project Number: Reg. 601.601.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Rules and Regulations.

Description: Persons wishing to speak at a public hearing on a proposed rule must submit written comments and an outline within prescribed time limits, for use in preparing agendas and allocating time. Persons interested in the issuance, amendment, or repeal of a rule may submit a petition for this. IRS considers the petitions in its deliberations.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, Individuals or households, Not-for-profit institutions, Farms, Federal Government, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 600.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 1 hour, 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 900 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-0807.

Regulation Project Number: LR 2013 (TD 7533) Final and EE-155-78 (TD 7896) Final.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Disc Rules on Procedures and Administration; Rules on Export Trade Corporations (LR 2013); and Income From Trade Shows (EE-155-78).

Description: Section 1.6071-1(b) requires that when a taxpayer files a late return for a short period, proof of unusual circumstances for late filing must be given to the District Director. Sections 1.6072 (b), (c), (d), and (e) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) deals with the filing dates of certain corporate returns. Regulation section 1.6072-2 provides additional information concerning these filing dates. The information is used to insure timely filing of corporate income tax returns.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, Individuals or households, Not-for-profit institutions, Farms, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 12,417.