

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Maritime Administration****Agency Recordkeeping/Reporting Requirements Under Emergency Review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)**

The Department of Transportation (DOT), Maritime Administration (MARAD) has submitted the following public information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for emergency review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (P.L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). OMB approval has been requested by June 12, 2000. A copy of this information collection request, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting Raymond R. Barberesi, Director, Office of Sealift Support, MAR-630, Room 7307, Maritime Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, telephone number: 202-366-2323 or fax 202-493-2180. Comments and questions about the request listed below should be directed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Department of Transportation, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, Washington, DC 20503.

Agency: Maritime Administration.

Date: Comments must be submitted on or before June 12, 2000.

Title: Evaluation of the Maritime Security Program (MSP) and the Voluntary Intermodal Sealift Agreement (VISA) Program.

OMB Number: 2133-New.

Frequency: One-Time.

Affected Public: Vessel Operators, Shippers, Maritime Labor Entities, DOD and other Federal agencies and affected parties in the maritime and transportation industries.

Number of Respondents: 20 Respondents.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 1 Hour.

Total Burden Hours: 20 Hours.

Summary: MARAD is conducting a program evaluation of the MSP and VISA programs and seeks to collect empirical information from various maritime- and transportation-related entities and other Federal agencies relating to the impact of the MSP and the VISA programs on DOD sealift capability and the U.S. merchant fleet. The evaluation seeks to determine the contribution of the MSP/VISA to the achievement of DOT's and MARAD's national security goals. This evaluation is part of DOT's implementation of the Government Performance and Results Act (GRPA). The information received will be used by MARAD personnel as part of the evaluation to identify and evaluate the causal relationship between MSP/VISA and the DOT/MARAD national security goals.

Burden Statement: According to the PRA, persons are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. Note that this information collection has not yet received an OMB control number. It is estimated that the time required to complete this information collection averages approximately 1 hour per response, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather the data needed, and complete the information collection.

Dated: May 16, 2000.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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ACTION: List of applications delayed more than 180 days.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5117(c), RSPA is publishing the following list of exemption applications that have been in process for 180 days or more. The reason(s) for delay and the expected completion date for action on each application is provided in association with each identified application.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: J. Suzanne Hedgepeth, Director, Office of Hazardous Materials, Exemptions and Approvals, Research and Special Programs Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590-0001, (202) 366-4535.

Key to "Reasons for Delay"

1. Awaiting additional information from applicant
2. Extensive public comment under review
3. Application is technically complex and is of significant impact or precedent-setting and requires extensive analysis
4. Staff review delayed by other priority issues or volume of exemption applications

Meaning of Application Number Suffixes

N—New application

M—Modification request

PM—Party to application with modification request

Issued in Washington, DC, on May 17, 2000.

J. Suzanne Hedgepeth,

Director, Office of Hazardous Materials, Exemptions and Approvals.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Research and Special Programs Administration****Office of Hazardous Materials Safety; Notice of Delays in Processing of Exemption Applications**

AGENCY: Research and Special Programs Administration, DOT.

NEW EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS

Application No.	Applicant	Reason for delay	Estimated date of completion
11862-N	The BOC Group, Murray Hill, NJ	4	6/30/2000
11927-N	Alaska Marine Lines, Inc., Seattle, WA	4	6/30/2000
12125-N	Mayo Foundation, Rochester, MN	4	6/30/2000
12142-N	Aristech Chemical Corp., Pittsburgh, PA	4	6/30/2000
12148-N	Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, NY	4	6/30/2000
12158-N	Hickson Corporation, Conley, GA	4	6/30/2000
12181-N	Aristech, Pittsburgh, PA	4	6/30/2000
12205-N	Independent Chemical Corp., Glendale, NY	4	6/30/2000
12248-N	Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp., High Point, NC	4	6/30/2000
12277-N	The Indian Sugar & General Engineering Corp. ISGE, Haryana, IX	4	6/30/2000
12281-N	ABS Group, Inc., Houston, TX	4	6/30/2000