

interest rate substantially similar to the rate in effect at the time the new ARM index replaces the existing ARM index. See 12 U.S.C. 1437 note.

- Congress indirectly connected the high cost area limits for mortgages insured by the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development to the MIRS in 1994 when it statutorily linked these FHA insurance limits to the purchase price limitations for Fannie Mae. See Pub. L. 103-327, 108 Stat. 2314 (Sept. 28, 1994), codified at 12 U.S.C. 1709(b)(2)(A)(ii).

- The Internal Revenue Service uses the MIRS data in establishing "safe-harbor" limitations for mortgages purchased with the proceeds of mortgage revenue bond issues. See 26 CFR 6a.103A-2(f)(5).

- Statutes in several states and U.S. territories, including California, Michigan, Minnesota, New Jersey, Wisconsin and the Virgin Islands, refer to, or rely upon, the MIRS. See, e.g., Cal. Civ. Code 1916.7 and 1916.8 (mortgage rates); Iowa Code 534.205 (1995) (real estate loan practices); Mich. Comp. Laws 445.1621(d) (mortgage index rates); Minn. Stat. 92.06 (payments for state land sales); N.J. Rev. Stat. 31:1-1 (interest rates); Wis. Stat. 138.056 (variable loan rates); V.I. Code Ann. tit. 11, sec. 951 (legal rate of interest).

The Finance Board uses the information collection to produce the MIRS and for general statistical purposes and program evaluation. Economic policy makers use the MIRS data to determine trends in the mortgage markets, including interest rates, down payments, terms to maturity, terms on ARMs and initial fees and charges on mortgage loans. Other federal banking agencies use the MIRS results for research purposes. Information concerning the MIRS is regularly published on the Finance Board's Web site (<http://www.fhfb.gov/mirs>) and in press releases, in the popular trade press, and in publications of other federal agencies.

The likely respondents include a sample of savings associations, mortgage companies, commercial banks and savings banks. The information collection requires each respondent to complete FHFBS Form 10-91 or a submission using the MIRS software on a monthly basis.

The OMB number for the information collection is 3069-0001. The OMB clearance for the information collection expires on June 30, 2004.

B. Burden Estimate

The Finance Board estimates the total annual number of respondents at 359, with 12 responses per respondent. The estimate for the average hours per response is 30 minutes. The estimate for the total annual hour burden is 2,154 hours (359 respondents x 12 responses x 0.5 hours).

C. Comment Request

In accordance with the requirements of 5 CFR 1320.8(d), the Finance Board published a request for public comments regarding this information collection in the **Federal Register** on February 18, 2004. See 69 FR 7638 (February 18, 2004). The 60-day comment period closed on April 19, 2004. The Finance Board received one comment, which supported the collection. The comment is available on the Finance Board Web site at http://www.fhfb.gov/pressroom/pressroom_regs.htm.

The Finance Board requests written comments on the following: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of Finance Board functions, including whether the information has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the Finance Board's estimates of the burdens of the collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (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.

Dated: May 6, 2004.

By the Federal Housing Finance Board.

Donald Demitros,

Chief Information Officer.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Notice of Agreements Filed

The Commission hereby gives notice of the filing of the following agreements

under the Shipping Act of 1984. Interested parties can review or obtain copies of agreements at the Washington, DC offices of the Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Room 940. Interested parties may submit comments on an agreement to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573, within 10 days of the date this notice appears in the **Federal Register**.

Agreement No.: 011672-004.

Title: CSAV Group Cooperative Working Agreement.

Parties: Compania Sud Americana de Vapores S.A., Companhia Libra de Navegacao, Norasia Container Lines Limited, Montemar Maritime S.A., and CSAV Sud Americana de Vapores S.A.

Synopsis: The proposed modification would add authority for the parties to discuss and reach non-binding agreement on rates, charges, practices, and conditions of service and to enter into joint service contracts in the trade between U.S. ports and ports in the Caribbean and on the East Coast of South America. The parties request expedited review.

By Order of the Federal Maritime Commission.

Dated: May 7, 2004.

Karen V. Gregory,

Assistant Secretary.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Ocean Transportation Intermediary License Reissuances

Notice is hereby given that the following Ocean Transportation Intermediary licenses have been reissued by the Federal Maritime Commission pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984, as amended by the Ocean Shipping Reform Act of 1998 (46 U.S.C. app. 1718) and the regulations of the Commission pertaining to the licensing of Ocean Transportation Intermediaries, 46 CFR part 515.

License No.	Name/Address	Date Reissued
008657N	AACCO, 841 Pioneer Avenue, Wilmington, CA 90744.	March 31, 2004.
003716F	C J International, Inc., 403 Maclean Avenue, Louisville, KY 40209-1725.	April 7, 2004.
007785N	Trinforwarding International, Inc. dba U.S. Atlantic Freight Lines, 9720 N.W. 114th Way, Miami, FL 33178..	May 1, 2003.