

## OFFICE OF VEHICLE SAFETY COMPLIANCE—Continued

Topic	NHTSA Office/Internet	Telephone No.
Questions about how a manufacturer informs NHTSA about its company and the products it manufactures.	Import and Certification Division.	(202) 366–5291
Questions about how to provide NHTSA with the manufacturer's vehicle identification number deciphering information.	Import and Certification Division.	(202) 366–5291
Questions about NHTSA ID numbers that are assigned to equipment manufacturers of brake hoses, glazing (glass), and tires.	Equipment Division .....	(202) 366–5322
<i>Information to Assist New Manufacturers:</i>	<a href="http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/maninfo/">http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/maninfo/</a>	
Questions about FMVSS as they relate to equipment items (i.e., tires, rims, brake hoses, brake fluid, seat belt assemblies, lighting equipment, glazing (automotive glass and plastics), motorcycle helmets, child restraint systems (child safety seats), platform lift systems for the mobility impaired, rear impact guards for trailers, triangular reflective warning devices, and compressed natural gas containers).	Equipment Division .....	(202) 366–5322
<i>Federal motor vehicle safety standards (FMVSS):</i>	<a href="http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/">http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/</a>	
<i>NHTSA's Manufacturer Databases:</i>	<a href="http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/manufacture">http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/manufacture</a>	
<i>Government Vehicle Safety Information:</i>	<a href="http://www.safercar.gov/">http://www.safercar.gov/</a>	

## OFFICE OF DEFECTS INVESTIGATION

Topic	NHTSA Office/Internet	Telephone No./ Link
Questions about Early Warning Reporting (EWR) .....	Early Warning Division ..	(202) 366–4238
<i>Early Warning Reporting:</i>	<a href="http://www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/ewr/ewr.cfm">http://www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/ewr/ewr.cfm</a>	
Questions about Defects and Recalls .....	Office of Defects Investigation.	(202) 366–5210
<i>Defects Investigations:</i>	<a href="http://www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/">http://www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/</a>	

## OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL

Topic	NHTSA Office/Internet	Telephone No.
Questions about how the statutes and regulations administered by NHTSA are interpreted	Office of Chief Counsel.	Requests for interpretations should be made in writing.
<i>NHTSA Chief Counsel interpretive letters:</i>	<a href="http://isearch.nhtsa.gov/">http://isearch.nhtsa.gov/</a>	
<i>NHTSA Statutory Authorities:</i>	<a href="http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/nhtsa/Cfc_title49/index.html">http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/nhtsa/Cfc_title49/index.html</a>	
<i>NHTSA Regulations:</i>	<a href="http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/">http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/</a>	
Questions about how to designate a U.S. resident as an agent for service of process .....	Office of Chief Counsel.	(202) 366–1834
<i>Suggested Designation of Agent for Service of Process 49 CFR Part 551, Subpart D:</i>	<a href="http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/manufacture/agent/customer.html">http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/manufacture/agent/customer.html</a>	

*(h) Know How To Obtain General Assistance With Other Federal Regulations*

The Office of Management and Budget, in conjunction with the U.S. Small Business Administration, publishes a one-stop Internet resource to make it easier for fabricating manufacturers and importers to understand Federal regulations, including those administered by NHTSA. This Web site provides a point of contact at each agency to answer specific questions.<sup>66</sup> See: <http://www.business.gov/contacts/federal/>.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), an agency of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, has also published “*Importing into the United States: A Guide for Commercial Importers*,” which provides wide-ranging information about the importing process and import requirements. See: <http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/toolbox/publications/trade/>.

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**David Kelly,**

*Acting Administrator.*

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<sup>66</sup> The Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002 (SBPRA) requires each Federal agency to establish a point of contact to act as a liaison between the agency and small businesses. In addition, SBPRA requires the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), in conjunction with the Small Business Administration, to publish on the Internet a list of compliance assistance resources available at Federal agencies for small businesses.

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**Research & Innovative Technology Administration****Agency Information Collection; Activity Under OMB Review; Submission of Audit Reports—Part 248**

**AGENCY:** Research & Innovative Technology Administration (RITA), Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for extension of currently approved

collections. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on October 7, 2008 (73 FR 58708).

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted by January 23, 2009.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Bernie Stankus, Office of Airline Information, RTS-42, Room 4125, RITA, BTS, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001, Telephone Number (202) 366-4387, Fax Number (202) 366-3383 or e-mail [bernard.stankus@dot.gov](mailto:bernard.stankus@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*OMB Approval No.* 2138-0004.

*Title:* Submission of Audit Reports—Part 248.

*Form No.:* None.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Large certificated air carriers.

*Number of Respondents:* 77.

*Number of Responses:* 77.

*Total Annual Burden:* 20 hours.

*Needs and Uses:* BTS collects independent audited financial reports from U.S. certificated air carriers. Carriers not having an annual audit must file a statement that no such audit has been performed. In lieu of the audit report, BTS will accept the annual report submitted to the stockholders. The audited reports are needed by the Department of Transportation as (1) A means to monitor an air carrier's continuing fitness to operate, (2) reference material used by analysts in examining foreign route cases (3) reference material used by analysts in examining proposed mergers, acquisitions and consolidations, (4) a means whereby BTS sends a copy of the report to the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) in fulfillment of a United States treaty obligation, and (5) corroboration of a carrier's Form 41 filings.

The Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (44 U.S.C. 3501), requires a statistical agency to clearly identify information it collects for non-statistical purposes. BTS hereby notifies the respondents and the public that BTS uses the information it collects under this OMB approval for non-statistical purposes including, but not limited to, publication of both Respondent's identity and its data, submission of the information to agencies outside BTS for review, analysis and possible use in

regulatory and other administrative matters.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention BTS Desk Officer.

*Comments are invited on:* Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department concerning consumer protection. Comments should address whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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.

**Anne Suissa,**

*Director, Office of Airline Information.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Research & Innovative Technology Administration

#### Agency Information Collection; Activity Under OMB Review; Reporting Required for International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)

**AGENCY:** Research & Innovative Technology Administration (RITA), Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for extension of currently approved collections. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on October 7, 2008 (73 FR 58709).

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted by January 23, 2009.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Bernie Stankus, Office of Airline Information, RTS-42, Room 4125, RITA,

BTS, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001, Telephone Number (202) 366-4387, Fax Number (202) 366-3383 or e-mail [bernard.stankus@dot.gov](mailto:bernard.stankus@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*OMB Approval No.* 2138-0039.

*Title:* Reporting Required for International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

*Form No.:* BTS Form EF.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Large certificated air carriers.

*Number of Respondents:* 40.

*Number of Responses:* 40.

*Total Annual Burden:* 26 hours.

*Needs and Uses:* As a party to the Convention on International Civil Aviation (Treaty), the United States is obligated to provide ICAO with financial and statistical data on operations of U.S. carriers. Over 99% of the data filled with ICAO is extracted from the air carriers' Form 41 submissions to BTS. BTS Form EF is the means by which BTS supplies the remaining 1% of the air carrier data to ICAO.

The Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (44 U.S.C. 3501), requires a statistical agency to clearly identify information it collects for non-statistical purposes. BTS hereby notifies the respondents and the public that BTS uses the information it collects under this OMB approval for non-statistical purposes including, but not limited to, transmission of both respondent's identity and its data to the International Civil Aeronautics Organization.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention BTS Desk Officer.

*Comments are invited on:* Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department concerning consumer protection. Comments should address whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection