

Mr. Rich Theroux
Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Theroux:

Pursuant to Office of Management and Budget (OMB) procedures established at 5 CFR Part 1320, Controlling Paperwork Burdens on the Public, I ask that the following collection of information, “49 CFR Parts 531 and 533, Passenger Car Average Fuel Economy Standards and Light Truck Fuel Economy Standards; Product Plan Data,” be processed pursuant to section 1320.13 Emergency processing.

I have determined that this information must be collected prior to the expiration of time periods established under Part 1320, and that this information is essential to NHTSA’s mission to establish corporate average fuel economy (CAFE) standards for passenger cars and light trucks at the maximum feasible level for each of models years 2012 through 2016 for passenger cars and light trucks, no later than 18 months before the start of the model year regulated.

NHTSA cannot reasonably comply with the normal clearance procedures because the use of normal clearance procedures is reasonably likely to cause NHTSA to miss a statutory deadline established in the Energy Independence and Security Act.

Please approve or disapprove the collection of information within a week.

As you are aware, NHTSA has taken all practicable steps to consult with the Department of Energy, EPA, other agencies, and members of the public in order to minimize the burden of this collection of information.

Attached is a draft FEDERAL REGISTER notice in which NHTSA states it is asking for emergency processing of this collection of information within a week.

Sincerely yours,

Ronald Medford
Senior Associate Administrator for
Vehicle Safety