

on Transportes Olympic's possible affiliations.

OODA also alleged that Transportes Olympic's scores are artificially low because law enforcement did not cite them as out-of-service for certain out-of-service violations.

Advocates noted that Transportes Olympic received commercial zone authority in 2009, but SMS shows no information on this company. As a result, Transportes Olympic's SMS scores indicate "insufficient data" or "not public."

#### FMCSA Response

In its application and during the PASA, Transportes Olympic acknowledged its affiliation with two U.S. carriers. The safety records of these two carriers include a large number of English language proficiency violations, which provide the basis for the deficiency in the Driver Fitness BASIC. In the pilot program, however, FMCSA is testing participating drivers for English language proficiency during the PASA and is only approving drivers with adequate English language proficiency for participation. Accordingly, these violations are not relevant to the approval of Transportes Olympic's application for provisional operating authority under the pilot program.

Transportes Olympic received its commercial zone authority in 2009, but has not been operating under that authority in the United States. As a result, there is no information in FMCSA's system on this company. During the PASA, however, the company provided information on its safety management processes that was validated by the FMCSA auditor.

As a result, FMCSA continues to find that Transportes Olympics meets the requirements of the pilot program. Therefore, FMCSA will issue long-haul operating authority to this carrier.

#### Issues Outside of the Scope of the PASA Notice

Commenters raised issues regarding the pilot program's design and implementation and the review of additional driver's license information that are outside of the scope of the PASA notices. In addition, these issues were already considered in publishing the Agency's July 8, 2011, **Federal Register** notice announcing the pilot program and the Agency's Environmental Assessment published on October 3, 2011 [76 FR 61138]. As a result, they will not be addressed in this notice.

Issued on: October 11, 2011.

**Anne S. Ferro,**

*Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA 2011-001-N-14]

#### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Railroad Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and its implementing regulations, the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) hereby announces that it is seeking renewal of the following currently approved information collection activities. Before submitting these information collection requirements for clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), FRA is soliciting public comment on specific aspects of the activities identified below.

**DATES:** Comments must be received no later than December 13, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on any or all of the following proposed activities by mail to either: Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Safety, Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS-21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E., Mail Stop 17, Washington, DC 20590, or Ms. Kimberly Toone, Office of Information Technology, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590. Commenters requesting FRA to acknowledge receipt of their respective comments must include a self-addressed stamped postcard stating, "Comments on OMB control number 2130-0506." Alternatively, comments may be transmitted via facsimile to (202) 493-6216 or (202) 493-6497, or via e-mail to Mr. Brogan at [robert.brogan@dot.gov](mailto:robert.brogan@dot.gov), or to Ms. Toone at [kim.toone@dot.gov](mailto:kim.toone@dot.gov). Please refer to the assigned OMB control number in any correspondence submitted. FRA will summarize comments received in response to this notice in a subsequent notice and include them in its information collection submission to OMB for approval.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS-21, Federal

Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 17, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6292) or Ms. Kimberly Toone, Office of Information Technology, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6132). (These telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Public Law 104-13, § 2, 109 Stat. 163 (1995) (codified as revised at 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, require Federal agencies to provide 60-days notice to the public for comment on information collection activities before seeking approval for reinstatement or renewal by OMB. 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), 1320.10(e)(1), 1320.12(a). Specifically, FRA invites interested respondents to comment on the following summary of proposed information collection activities regarding (i) Whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the activities will have practical utility; (ii) the accuracy of FRA's estimates of the burden of the information collection activities, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimates; (iii) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (iv) ways for FRA to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public by automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology (e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses). See 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)(I)-(iv); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1)(I)-(iv). FRA believes that soliciting public comment will promote its efforts to reduce the administrative and paperwork burdens associated with the collection of information mandated by Federal regulations. In summary, FRA reasons that comments received will advance three objectives: (i) Reduce reporting burdens; (ii) ensure that it organizes information collection requirements in a "user friendly" format to improve the use of such information; and (iii) accurately assess the resources expended to retrieve and produce information requested. See 44 U.S.C. 3501.

Below is a brief summary of the currently approved ICR that FRA will submit for clearance by OMB as required under the PRA:

*Title:* Identification of Cars Moved in Accordance with Order 13528.

*OMB Control Number:* 2130-0506.

*Abstract:* This collection of information identifies a freight car being moved within the scope of Order 13528 (now codified under 49 CFR 232.3).

Otherwise, an exception will be taken, and the car will be set out of the train and not delivered. The information that must be recorded is specified at 49 CFR 232.3(d)(3), which requires that a car be properly identified by a card attached to

each side of the car and signed stating that such movement is being made under the authority of the order. § 232.3(d)(3) does not require retaining cards or tags. When a car bearing a tag for movement under this provision arrives at its destination, the tags are simply removed. This requirement/record comes into play only when a railroad finds it necessary to move equipment as specified above. FRA estimates that approximately 400 cars per year are moved under this Order. As

stipulated above, equipment must be tagged on both sides. FRA estimates that it takes approximately five (5) minutes to record the necessary information on each tag and attach the tags to the equipment. There is no retention requirement relative to the tags at destination. Total annual burden for this requirement is 67 hours.

*Affected Public:* Railroads.  
*Respondent Universe:* 754 Railroads.  
*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

REPORTING BURDEN

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours
232.3—Identification of Cars Moved in Accordance with Order 13528..	754 Railroads .....	800 tags .....	5 minutes .....	67

*Total Responses:* 800.  
*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 67 hours.  
*Cost to Respondents:* Printing of 800 tags at approximately \$.05 each.  
*Total Cost to Respondents* \$40.00.  
*Status:* Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.

Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 3507(a) and 5 CFR 1320.5(b), 1320.8(b)(3)(vi), FRA informs all interested parties that it may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

*Authority:* 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 6, 2011.

**Kimberly Coronel,**

*Director, Office of Financial Management, Federal Railroad Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Surface Transportation Board**

[Docket No. FD 35555]

**Midwest Rail d/b/a Toledo, Lake Erie and Western Railway—Lease and Operation Exemption—Toledo, Lake Erie and Western Railway and Museum, Inc.**

Midwest Rail d/b/a Toledo, Lake Erie and Western Railway (Toledo), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to lease from Toledo, Lake Erie and Western Railway and Museum, Inc. (the Museum), and to operate, a 10-mile rail line extending between a point of connection with Norfolk Southern

Railway's (NSR) trackage at milepost 15 in Waterville, Ohio, and the end of the line at milepost 25 in Grand Rapids, Ohio (the Line).

In the notice, Toledo states that the Line was originally constructed by the Toledo, St. Louis and Western Railroad and was subsequently acquired by the New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railway as part of its Cloverleaf Division. NSR's predecessor, the Norfolk & Western Railway, subsequently acquired the Line, abandoned it, and sold the track to the Museum. Currently, only excursion passenger rail service is being provided on the Line by the Museum.

As a result of this transaction, and pursuant to an agreement with the Museum, Toledo will provide common carrier rail service over the Line, connecting with and interchanging traffic with NSR, and also will provide excursion passenger service. Toledo states that the Museum is currently preparing a lease and operating agreement for the parties to sign and that the agreement should be executed in the very near future, before the notice becomes effective.<sup>1</sup>

According to Toledo, there are no agreements applicable to the Line imposing any interchange commitments. Toledo notes that the Line does not physically connect with

any rail lines other than that owned by NSR.

The earliest the transaction can be consummated is October 30, 2011, the effective date of the exemption (30 days after the exemption was filed).

Toledo certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not exceed \$5 million annually and will not result in it becoming a Class I or Class II rail carrier.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the effectiveness of the exemption. Stay petitions must be filed no later than October 21, 2011 (at least 7 days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 35555, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, one copy of each pleading must be served on John D. Heffner, John D. Heffner, PLLC, 1750 K Street, NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20006.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>.

Decided: October 11, 2011.

By the Board.

**Joseph H. Dettmar,**  
*Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.*

**Jeffrey Herzig,**  
*Clearance Clerk.*

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<sup>1</sup> Once Toledo enters into the agreement, it should submit the agreement into the record in this proceeding in order to provide sufficient information and documentation for the Board to determine whether the owner-lessor can exert undue control over the lessee-carrier's operations. See *Anthony Macrie—Continuance in Control Exemption—N.J. Seashore Lines, Inc.*, FD 35296, slip op. at 3 (STB served Aug. 31, 2010); *N. Shore R.R.—Acquis. & Operation Exemption—PPL Susquehanna, LLC*, FD 35377, slip op. at 3 (STB served Apr. 26, 2011).