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RE: Federal Register notice of September 26, 2012, for Form MP-1, Annual and Quarterly Report of Class I Motor Carriers of Passengers (OMB Number: 2126-0031; Docket Number FMCSA-2012-0048)

Attention -- Desk Officer:

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) strongly supports the continued collection of data by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration on form MP-1, Annual and Quarterly Report of Class I Motor Carriers of Passengers. The data collected on this form are crucial to a key component of BEA's economic statistics. BEA's Industry accounts uses annual total operating revenue from Form MP-1 to prepare estimates of gross output for the transportation sector in gross domestic product by industry.

Please keep BEA informed about any modifications to this form. We are particularly interested in any modifications proposed during the form's approval process that would substantially affect our use of these data. For additional information, please contact Ruth Bramblett, Source Data Coordinator, on 202-606-9653 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:Ruth.Bramblett@bea.gov">Ruth.Bramblett@bea.gov</a>. Should you need assistance in justifying this form to the Office of Management and Budget, please do not hesitate to contact BEA.

Sincerely,

Dennis J. Fixler