Justification for Nonmaterial/Nonsubstantive Change for OMB Control Number 2126-0015 ICR

Designation of Agents, Motor Carriers, Brokers and Freight Forwarders

This Justification for a Nonmaterial/Nonsubstantive Change is to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval for nonsubstantive changes to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) "Designation of Agents, Motor Carriers, Brokers and Freight Forwarders" information collection (IC), OMB control number 2126-0015. This IC currently contains all information collection requirements for motor carriers (both for-hire exempt and non-exempt; and private), including brokers and freight forwarders, to use Form BOC-3 to notify the Agency regarding their designation of process agents. These regulated entities must designate agents upon whom service of notices in proceedings before the Secretary of Transportation (Secretary) may be made and upon whom process issued by a court may be served for every State in which they operate.

As part of the rollout of the Unified Registration System (URS) planned for October 23, 2015 (see FMCSA's final rule titled, "Unified Registration System" (at 78 Fed. Reg. 52608; Aug. 23, 2013)), the Agency will discontinue the issuance of docket numbers (e.g., MC#s and FF#s) to regulated entities needing operating authority registration. Once the URS final rule is implemented, FMCSA will use USDOT numbers as the registration sole identifier for all FMCSA-regulated entities. Therefore, the FMCSA is requesting an expedited review and approval of this ICR to update the attached form that is included as an administrative filing in the Agency's registration process. The requested update is to replace a data field on this form that now requires a docket number (MC# or FF#) with a USDOT number field and the date it was received. The Agency will also add a citation to inform FMCSA-regulated entities where to file registration-related forms. FMCSA will include the following line on each form:

"Filings must be transmitted online via the Internet at http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/urs."

These changes do not affect the data collection burden for this form.