

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**[Docket No. DOT-OST-2004-16951]****Agency Request for Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection: Exemptions for Air Taxi Operations****AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, DOT.**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation (DOT) invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)'s approval to renew an information collection. The collection involves a classification of air carriers known as air taxi operators and their filings of a one-page form that enables them to obtain economic authority from DOT. The information to be collected is necessary for DOT to determine whether an air taxi operator meets DOT's criteria for an economic authorization in accordance with DOT rules. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by January 22, 2016.**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments [identified by Docket No. DOT-OST-2004-16951] through one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251

- *Mail or Hand Delivery:* Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vanessa R. Balgobin, (202) 366-9721, Office of Aviation Analysis, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, 20590.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:***OMB Control Number:* 2105-0565.*Title:* Exemptions for Air Taxi Operations.*Form Numbers:* OST Form 4507.*Type of Review:* Renewal of an information collection.

Background: Part 298 of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Exemptions for Air Taxi Registration, establishes a classification of air carriers known as air taxi operators that offer on-demand passenger service. The regulation exempts these small

operators from certain provisions of the Federal statute to permit them to obtain economic authority by filing a one-page, front and back, OST Form 4507, Air Taxi Operator Registration, and Amendments under Part 298 of DOT's Regulations.

DOT expects to receive 200 new air taxi registrations and 2,200 amended air taxi registrations each year, resulting in 2,400 total respondents. Further, DOT expects filers of new registrations to take 1 hour to complete the form, while it should only take 30 minutes to prepare amendments to the form. Thus, the total annual burden is expected to be 1,300 hours.

Respondents: U.S. air taxi operators.*Number of Respondents:* 2,400.*Frequency:* On occasion.*Number of Responses:* 2,400.*Total Annual Burden:* 1,300 hours.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for [your office]'s performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for [your office] to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

Issued in Washington, DC on November 16, 2015.

Lauralyn J. Remo,*Chief, Air Carrier Fitness Division, Office of Aviation Analysis.*

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BILLING CODE 4910-9X-P**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY****Internal Revenue Service****Publication of the Tier 2 Tax Rates****AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: Publication of the tier 2 tax rates for calendar year 2016 as required by section 3241(d) of the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. 3241). Tier 2 taxes on railroad employees, employers, and employee representatives are one source of funding for benefits under the Railroad Retirement Act.

DATES: The tier 2 tax rates for calendar year 2016 apply to compensation paid in calendar year 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathleen Edmondson,
CC:TEGE:EOEG:ET1, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, Telephone Number (202) 317-6798 (not a toll-free number). **TIER 2 TAX RATES:** The tier 2 tax rate for 2016 under section 3201(b) on employees is 4.9 percent of compensation. The tier 2 tax rate for 2016 under section 3221(b) on employers is 13.1 percent of compensation. The tier 2 tax rate for 2016 under section 3211(b) on employee representatives is 13.1 percent of compensation.

Dated: November 13, 2015.

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BILLING CODE 4830-01-P**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS****[OMB Control No. 2900-0099]****Proposed Information Collection (Dependents' Request for Change of Program or Place of Training) Activity: Comment Request****AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed revision of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the revision of the form to remove the statement that chapter 35 recipients cannot choose Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT).

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before January 22, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to