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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kenneth Lee, Director, Engineering and Research Division, at 202-366-2694 or [Kenneth.lee@dot.gov](mailto:Kenneth.lee@dot.gov) about the subject matter in this notice.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 15 of the Act requires the Secretary of Transportation to "prescribe minimum safety standards for the transportation of carbon dioxide by pipeline in a gaseous phase."

The Act requires that in "establishing the standards, the Secretary shall consider whether applying the minimum safety standards in part 195 of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, as in effect on the date of enactment of this paragraph, for the transportation of carbon dioxide in a liquid state to the transportation of carbon dioxide in a gaseous state would ensure safety." Further, the Act limited this authority, stating: "Nothing in this subsection authorizes the Secretary to regulate piping or equipment used in the production, extraction, recovery, lifting, stabilization, separation, or treatment of carbon dioxide or the preparation of carbon dioxide for transportation by pipeline at production, refining, or manufacturing facilities."

After carefully reviewing the available information with regard to gaseous carbon dioxide pipelines, PHMSA has been unable to identify specific gaseous carbon dioxide pipelines or pipeline operators that would potentially be subject to future regulation per section 15 of the Act. For instance, in PHMSA's aforementioned report, a 78-mile, low-pressure gaseous carbon dioxide pipeline was identified as being located within a gas gathering field. In that instance, the applicability of future regulations could be unclear. PHMSA's report outlines much of the information gathered and available to PHMSA, which appears to support the likelihood that a majority of the carbon dioxide transported over distances would be in the supercritical fluid state, thereby subjecting these lines to the existing part 195 regulations, where applicable.

PHMSA is seeking public comment to better understand the possible effects of the regulatory scenarios presented within the report, information

considered within the report, conclusions that could be drawn from the report, information missing from the report, and to better understand the locations and extent of gaseous carbon dioxide pipelines (whether existing or planned). Since PHMSA does not currently regulate these pipelines, its ability to reach out and locate potentially affected operators has been limited. PHMSA welcomes views and updates on the necessity for and approach to regulations for gaseous carbon dioxide pipelines per section 15 of the Act. Some areas of interest include:

1. Comments and suggestions with respect to the information included within the report, including comments on gaseous carbon dioxide pipelines and their regulation in general, as well as any conclusions readers can draw from the information presented.

2. Identifying gaseous carbon dioxide pipelines or pipeline operators not already identified in the report that would potentially be subject to regulation if they are regulated as outlined in the report per the requirements of section 15 of the Act. Include details, if available, such as pipeline location and length.

3. Identifying and discussing likely locations for the future construction of gaseous carbon dioxide pipelines not already discussed in the report that would potentially be subject to regulation if regulated as outlined in the report per the requirements of section 15 of the Act.

4. Comments on the two potential options for regulating gaseous carbon dioxide outlined in the report. These options would:

- Regulate the transport of gaseous CO<sub>2</sub> entirely under part 192, or
- Regulate the transport under part 192, where appropriate, with reference to applicable sections of part 195.

If a particular regulatory approach is more appropriate or preferable, please provide supporting examples and reasons why. If against either approach, please provide supporting examples and reasons for being against the approach.

5. The report identifies industry projections for carbon dioxide pipeline need and growth. Please discuss whether these projections are consistent and accurate with current data. If they have changed, please discuss how they have changed.

6. Please comment on any technical standards addressing gaseous carbon dioxide pipelines that PHMSA could consider incorporating into any potential regulations.

7. If PHMSA pursues one of the regulatory scenarios presented within

the report, and as stated in Area #4 above, would a simpler approach be adequate and responsible at this time? Could PHMSA make a change to the scope of part 192 to include gaseous carbon dioxide without any further technical differentiations within the regulations or without referencing the regulations for carbon dioxide in the supercritical state per existing part 195 regulations?

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*Acting Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA-2016-0066 (Notice No. 2016-10)]

#### Hazardous Materials: Information Collection Activities

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

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**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, PHMSA invites comments on an information collection pertaining to hazardous materials transportation for which PHMSA intends to request renewal from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 26, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by the docket number (PHMSA-2016-0066) by any of the following methods:

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

- Fax: 1-202-493-2251.

- Mail: Docket Operations, U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Routing Symbol M-30, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.

- Hand Delivery: To Docket Operations, Room W12-140 on the ground floor of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington,

DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

*Instructions:* All submissions must include the agency name and docket number or Regulation Identification Number (RIN) for this notice. Internet users may access comments received by DOT at: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Note that comments received will be posted without change to: <http://www.regulations.gov> including any personal information provided.

Requests for a copy of an information collection should be directed to Steven Andrews or T. Glenn Foster, Standards and Rulemaking Division (PHH-12), Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., East Building, 2nd Floor, Washington, DC 20590-0001, Telephone (202) 366-8553.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Steven Andrews or T. Glenn Foster, Standards and Rulemaking Division (PHH-12), Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., East Building, 2nd Floor, Washington, DC 20590-0001, Telephone (202) 366-8553.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 1320.8(d), title 5, Code of Federal Regulations requires PHMSA to provide interested members of the public and affected agencies an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping requests. This notice identifies an information collection request that PHMSA will be submitting to OMB for renewal and extension. This information collection is contained in 49 CFR 171.6 of the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR; 49 CFR parts 171-180). PHMSA has revised burden estimates, where appropriate, to reflect current reporting levels or adjustments based on changes in proposed or final rules published since the information collection was last approved. The following information is provided for the information collection: (1) Title of the information collection, including former title if a change is being made; (2) OMB control number; (3) summary of the information collection activity; (4) description of affected public; (5) estimate of total annual reporting and recordkeeping burden; and (6) frequency of collection. PHMSA will request a three-year term of approval for the information collection activity and, when approved by OMB, publish a notice of the approval in the **Federal Register**.

PHMSA requests comments on the following information collection:

*Title:* Hazardous Materials Incident Reports.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137-0039.

*Summary:* This collection is applicable upon occurrence of an incident as prescribed in §§ 171.15 and 171.16. A Hazardous Materials Incident Report, DOT Form F 5800.1, must be completed by a person in physical possession of a hazardous material at the time a hazardous material incident occurs in transportation, such as a release of materials, serious accident, evacuation, or closure of a main artery. Incidents meeting criteria in § 171.15 also require a telephonic report. This information collection enhances the Department's ability to evaluate the effectiveness of its regulatory program, determine the need for regulatory changes, and address emerging hazardous materials transportation safety issues. The requirements apply to all interstate and intrastate carriers engaged in the transportation of hazardous materials by rail, air, water, and highway.

*Affected Public:* Shippers and carriers of hazardous materials.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:*

*Number of Respondents:* 1,781.

*Total Annual Responses:* 17,810.

*Total Annual Burden Hours:* 23,746.

*Frequency of collection:* On occasion.

Signed in Washington, DC, on June 21, 2016.

**William S. Schoonover,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Health Services Research and Development Service, Scientific Merit Review Board; Amended Notice of Meetings

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, that the Health Services Research and Development Service Scientific Merit Review Board will conduct in-person and teleconference meetings of its seven Health Services Research (HSR) subcommittees on the dates below from 8:00 a.m. to approximately 5:00 p.m. (unless otherwise listed) at the Hilton Crystal City, 2399 Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal City, VA 22202 (unless otherwise listed):

- HSR 1—Health Care and Clinical Management on August 23-24, 2016;
- HSR 2—Behavioral, Social, and Cultural Determinants of Health and Care on August 23-24, 2016;

- HSR 3—Healthcare Informatics on August 24-25, 2016;

- HSR 4—Mental and Behavioral Health on August 23-24, 2016;

- HSR 5—Health Care System Organization and Delivery on August 24-25, 2016;

- HSR 6—Post-Acute and Long-term Care on August 23, 2016;

- HSR 8—Randomized Program Evaluations from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on August 25, 2016; HSR 0—Precision Mental Health from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on August 25, 2016;

- CDA—Career Development Award Meeting on August 25-26, 2016; and

- NRI—Nursing Research Initiative from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on August 26, 2016.

\*\* This notice is amended to reflect changes in one or more of the meetings (i.e. date, time, etc.).

The purpose of the Board is to review health services research and development applications involving: the measurement and evaluation of health care services; the testing of new methods of health care delivery and management; and nursing research. Applications are reviewed for scientific and technical merit, mission relevance, and the protection of human and animal subjects. Recommendations regarding funding are submitted to the Chief Research and Development Officer.

Each subcommittee meeting of the Board will be open to the public the first day for approximately one half-hour at the start of the meeting on August 23 (HSR 6), August 23-24 (HSR 1, 2, 4), August 24-25 (HSR 3, 5), August 25 (HSR 0, 6, 8), August 25-26 (CDA), and August 26 (NRI) to cover administrative matters and to discuss the general status of the program. Members of the public who wish to attend the open portion of the subcommittee meetings may dial 1-800-767-1750, participant code 10443#.

The remaining portion of each subcommittee meeting will be closed for the discussion, examination, reference to, and oral review of the intramural research proposals and critiques. During the closed portion of each subcommittee meeting, discussion and recommendations will include qualifications of the personnel conducting the studies (the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy), as well as research information (the premature disclosure of which would likely compromise significantly the implementation of proposed agency action regarding such research projects). As provided by subsection 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, as amended by Public Law 94-409, closing the meeting