

consummation of the control transaction. (Pet. 10–11.) *New York Dock* requires a railroad to give notice of “proposed changes to be effected by [a] transaction” when a railroad is “contemplating a change or changes in its operations, services, facilities, or equipment as a result of a transaction” that may affect employees. 360 I.C.C. at 77. The requirement under *New York Dock* to provide such notice presumes, however, that the carrier is capable of making a “full and adequate statement” of the expected labor changes before the transaction is consummated. *Norfolk S. Ry—Joint Control & Operating/Pooling Agreements—Pan Am S. LLC (Pan Am S.)*, FD 35147, slip op. at 16–17 (STB served Mar. 10, 2009) (“Because we see no basis for negotiation of an implementing agreement until Applicants decide to implement labor changes that are related to the Transaction, we will not require that Applicants commence negotiations now.”).

GWI states that it has not yet determined whether or which employees may be adversely affected, but acknowledges that it would be required to give 90-days’ notice and negotiate before making changes in operations, services, facilities, or equipment,<sup>4</sup> but that it would not immediately terminate or displace any HOG covered employees as a result of the proposed transaction, and that HOG would continue to honor all current employment terms and conditions. (Pet. 10–11.) The Board will hold GWI to these representations. Accordingly, GWI will be required to proceed in good faith under the notification and negotiation provision of Article I, section 4 of the *New York Dock* conditions before implementing employment changes, but it need not commence those negotiations until it is capable of making a full and adequate statement of the expected changes. See *Pan Am S.*, FD 35147, slip op. at 16–17. See also *Genesee & Wyo., Inc.—Acquis. of Control Exemption—Providence & Worcester R.R.*, FD 36064, slip op at 7 (STB served Dec. 16, 2016).

#### *Environmental and Historical Reporting*

This transaction is categorically excluded from environmental review under 49 CFR 1105.6(c)(2)(i) because it will not result in any significant change in carrier operations. Similarly, the

<sup>4</sup> GWI states that none of HOG’s 15 current employees are subject to collective bargaining agreements, and thus there are no unions with which to negotiate implementing agreements. (*Id.* at 10.) The Board notes that GWI will still be required to complete any *New York Dock* negotiations directly with affected HOG employees.

transaction is exempt from the historic reporting requirements under 49 CFR 1105.8(b)(3) because it will not substantially change the level of maintenance of railroad properties.

#### *It is ordered:*

1. Under 49 U.S.C. 10502, the Board exempts GWI’s acquisition of control of AWT and HOG from the prior approval requirements of sections 11323–24 subject to the employee protective conditions in *New York Dock Railway—Control—Brooklyn Eastern District Terminal*, 360 I.C.C. 60 (1979).

2. GWI must adhere to its statement that existing joint line movements between HOG and the GWI-affiliated railroads will not be used to foreclose vertical competition over efficient joint line routes with unaffiliated carriers.

3. Notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.

4. This exemption will be effective on May 18, 2017.

Decided: April 12, 2017.

By the Board, Board Members Begeman, Elliott, and Miller.

**Rena Laws-Byrum,**  
*Clearance Clerk.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

#### Sunshine Act Meetings; Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors

**AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors meeting.

**TIME AND DATE:** The meeting will be held on April 28, 2017, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

**PLACE:** The meetings will be open to the public at the Hampton Inn, 3398 Piedmont Rd. NE., Atlanta, GA 30305, and via conference call. Those not attending the meetings in person may call 1–877–422–1931, passcode 2855443940, to listen and participate in the meetings.

**STATUS:** Open to the public, however, the Board may vote to close portions of the meeting to the public to deliberate on matters involving confidential commercial or financial information.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors (the Board) will continue its work in developing and implementing the Unified Carrier Registration Plan

and Agreement and to that end, may consider matters properly before the Board.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Avelino Gutierrez, Chair, Unified Carrier Registration Board of Directors at (505) 827–4565.

Issued on: April 14, 2017.

**Larry W. Minor,**

*Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA–2017–0002–N–13]

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

**AGENCY:** Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

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

**SUMMARY:** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) and its implementing regulations, FRA seeks approval of the proposed information collection activity below. Before submitting this information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval, FRA is soliciting public comment on specific aspects of the activities identified below.

**DATES:** Comments must be received no later than June 19, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the information collection activities by mail to: Ms. Kim Toone, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Information Technology, RAD–20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue 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–XXXX,” and should also include the title of the ICR. Alternatively, comments may be faxed to (202) 493–6216 or (202) 493–6497, or emailed 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:** Ms. Kim Toone, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Information Technology, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6132). (This telephone number is not toll free.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The PRA, 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 to allow comment on information collection activities before seeking OMB approval of the activities. See 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 parties to comment on the following summary of the proposed information collection activity regarding: (1) Whether the information collection activity is necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the activity will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FRA's estimates of the burden of the information collection activity, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimates; (3) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (4) ways for FRA to minimize the burden of the information collection activity on the public by automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques and other forms of information technology (e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses). See 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1).

FRA believes that soliciting public comment will promote its efforts to reduce the administrative and paperwork burdens associated with the collection of information that Federal regulations mandate. In summary, FRA reasons that comments received will advance three objectives: (1) Reduce reporting burdens; (2) ensure that it organizes information collection requirements in a "user-friendly" format to improve the use of such information; and (3) accurately assess the resources expended to retrieve and produce information requested. See 44 U.S.C. 3501.

Below is a brief summary of the information collection activity FRA will submit for OMB clearance:

*Title:* Information and Communications Technology Needs Assessment.

*OMB Control Number:* 2130-XXXX.

*Abstract:* The purpose of this information collection is to conduct a needs assessment that will provide information about how the railroading worker population uses information and communications technology (ICT). FRA periodically conducts such context assessments of the social, legal, and policy barriers related to its mission. For purposes of this study, ICT is defined as technology and tools that people use to share, distribute, and gather information, and to communicate with one another, one on one, or in groups. FRA uses ICT to disseminate research findings and to increase awareness of safety education programs and other FRA sponsored innovation projects. The data gathered in this study will help FRA and DOT attain the strategic goal of improving safety in transportation by providing information that will improve and inform strategic communication dissemination efforts to reach the railroading population more efficiently and successfully.

The proposed study is a needs assessment designed to understand the current state of railroading industry use and application of ICT. As such, this study asks broad questions about ICT. The information will be useful to FRA's efforts to design how FRA uses ICT. The main objectives in this study are to: (1) Determine how Transportation, Yard, and Engineer railroaders use ICT; (2) identify ways to reach this population with future ICT based education and communication efforts; and (3) develop baseline awareness data for FRA's research, development and technology programs.

*Form Number(s):* FRA F 6180.169.

*Affected Public:* Railroad Union Members.

*Frequency of Submission:* One time.

*Reporting Burden:*

Maximum number of respondents	Time per response (minutes)	Total annual burden in hours
1,533 .....	20	511

*Total Estimated Annual Responses:* 1,533.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden:* 511 hours.

Under 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.

**Sarah L. Inderbitzin,**  
*Acting Chief Counsel.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**Office of Foreign Assets Control**

**Sanctions Actions Pursuant to Executive Order 13553**

**AGENCY:** Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing the names of one individual and one entity whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to Executive Order 13553 of September 28, 2010, "Blocking Property of Certain Persons With Respect to Serious Human Rights Abuses by the Government of Iran and Taking Certain Other Actions."

**DATES:** OFAC's actions described in this notice were effective on April 13, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Associate Director for Global Targeting, tel.: 202-622-2420, Assistant Director for Sanctions Compliance & Evaluation, tel.: 202-622-2490, Assistant Director for Licensing, tel.: 202-622-2480, Office of Foreign Assets Control, or Chief Counsel (Foreign Assets Control), tel.: 202-622-2410, Office of the General Counsel, Department of the Treasury (not toll free numbers).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Electronic Availability**

The Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Person List and additional information concerning OFAC sanctions programs are available from OFAC's Web site ([www.treas.gov/ofac](http://www.treas.gov/ofac)).

**Notice of OFAC Actions**

On April 13, 2017, OFAC blocked the property and interests in property of the following persons pursuant to Executive Order 13553: