U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) thanks the Transborder Committee of the Association of American Railroads (AAR) for taking the time to comment on this 1651-0088 revision of an existing collection of information and apologizes for any confusion created by the wording of this notice.

Because of the comment from the AAR, this notice has been updated to clarify CBP's intent.

At this time, the revision is solely for amending the information collection to include bus and rail carriers under the OMB control number. CBP expects to expand the pilot program using the Land Pre-Arrival System (LPAS) application for transmitting traveler manifest data to CBP for passengers and crew members crossing the U.S. border on buses. Because of the comment from the AAR, this notice has been updated to clarify CBP's intent.

In the future, and contingent upon the success of the bus pilot referenced, CBP intends to make LPAS available to rail carriers (both passenger and freight) to mitigate any burden which might be imposed by the transmission of APIS data to CBP. In Bus Submissions (APIS-VRBS). CBP currently receives traveler data from some passenger rail carriers, which is sent voluntarily as described in the Privacy Impact Assessment for the Advanced Passenger Information System-Voluntary Rail a For these reasons, the notice revises the information collection to include rail (both passenger and freight).

CBP appreciates the opportunity to work with the AAR on the transmission of APIS data and strives to partner with industry to facilitate legitimate trade and travel while safeguarding America's borders.