

docket/FRA-2022-0098. Interested parties are invited to comment on the PTCSP by submitting written comments or data. During its review of the PTCSP, FRA will consider any comments or data submitted. See 49 CFR 236.1011(e). However, FRA may elect not to respond to any particular comment, and under 49 CFR 236.1009(d)(3), FRA maintains the authority to approve or disapprove the PTCSP at its sole discretion.

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Issued in Washington, DC.

Carolyn R. Hayward-Williams,

Director, Office of Railroad Systems and Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology

[Docket No. DOT-OST-2023-0011]

Notice of Request for Clearance of a New Information Collection: Electric Vehicle Inventory and Use Survey (eVIUS)

AGENCY: Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology (OST-R), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the BTS to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB's) approval for a new information collection related to the nation's Battery Electric Vehicles (BEVs). The information collected will

be used to produce national statistics on the characteristics and uses of BEVs. A summary report of survey findings will also be published by BTS on the BTS web page: www.bts.gov.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before Friday, May 5, 2023.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket ID Number DOT-OST-2023-0011 to the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), Dockets Management System (DMS). You may submit your comments by mail or in person to the Docket Clerk, Docket No., U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, West Building Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590. Comments should identify the docket number as indicated above. Paper comments should be submitted in duplicate. The DMS is open for examination and copying, at the above address, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. If you wish to receive confirmation of receipt of your written comments, please include a self-addressed, stamped postcard with the following statement: "Comments on Docket DOT-OST-2023-0011." The Docket Clerk will date stamp the postcard prior to returning it to you via the U.S. mail. Please note that due to delays in the delivery of U.S. mail to Federal offices in Washington, DC, we recommend that persons consider an alternative method (the internet, fax, or professional delivery service) to submit comments to the docket and ensure their timely receipt at U.S. DOT. You may fax your comments to the DMS at (202) 493-2251. Comments can also be viewed and/or submitted via the Federal Rulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Please note that anyone is able to electronically search all comments received into our docket management system by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; pages 19475-19570) or you may review the Privacy Act Statement at <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/fr/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ryan Grube, (202) 734-1569, eVIUS Program Manager, BTS, OST-R, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, Room E32-317, Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Electric Vehicle Inventory and Use Survey (eVIUS).

Background: The BTS, with its partners, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), is planning to conduct the first Electric Vehicle Inventory and Use Survey (eVIUS).

Every 5 years from 1962 to 2002, as a part of the Economic Census, the U.S. Census Bureau conducted the Truck Inventory and Use Survey (TIUS), which was renamed the Vehicle Inventory and Use Survey (VIUS) in 1997. The survey was conducted to better understand the characterizes and use of trucks on our nation's roads. Since its inception, the survey has been used to guide investments in the nation's infrastructure, conduct size and weight studies, track changes in vehicle technologies, and more. In 2022, the BTS, in partnership with the US Census Bureau, FHWA, and DOE, conducted the 2021 VIUS, the first VIUS in almost two decades. The survey scope was inclusive of all Class 1-8 trucks.

As the pace of electric vehicles increases on the nation's roadways, to aid public planning for future transportation systems and infrastructure investments, BTS is planning to conduct an electric vehicle specific VIUS to better understand the characteristics and uses of battery electric vehicles, with an expanded scope of vehicle types to include passenger cars and buses. The data collection will be administered to a national sample of battery electric vehicle owners. The sample will be stratified on the vehicle registration state and the class size of the vehicle. The survey will request the respondents to provide information such as: Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) over the past 12 months, the average VMT in a typical trip, the type of vehicle owner (personal, commercial, lessee), the number of other vehicles owned in the household, charging behaviors, and type of use. The survey will be limited to 10 questions and the data collection period will be limited to 12-weeks to ensure timely results.

Respondents: The target population for the survey will be all registered battery electric vehicle owners in the U.S. The respondents will be sampled proportionally by registration state and Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) class size.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: The burden per respondent is estimated to be an average of 10 minutes. This average is based on an

estimate of 1 minute to answer each question.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: The total annual burden (in the year that the survey is conducted) is estimated to be between 1,666 and 3,333 hours depending on the final sample size (that is 10 minutes per respondent for 10,000–20,000 respondents, which equals 100,000–200,000 minutes).

Frequency: One time.

Public Comments Invited: Interested parties are invited to send comments regarding any aspect of this information collection, including, but not limited to: (1) the necessity and utility of the information collection for the proper performance of the functions of the DOT; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, clarity and content of the collected information; and (4) ways to minimize the collection burden without reducing the quality of the collected information. Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

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Cha-Chi Fan,

Director, Office of Data Development and Standards, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–0568]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: Submission of School Catalog to the State Approving Agency

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden, and it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice by clicking on the following link www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain, select “Currently under Review—Open for Public Comments”, then search the list for the information collection by Title or OMB Control No. 2900–0568.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Maribel Aponte, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics (008), 810 Vermont Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 266–4688 or email maribel.aponte@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0568” in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Title 38 U.S.C. 3675; 3676; 38 CFR 21.4253 and 21.4254.

Title: Submission of School Catalog to the State Approving Agency.

OMB Control Number: 2900–0568.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: State Approving Agencies and VA use the catalogs to determine what courses can be approved for VA training. VA receives catalogs when institutions change their education programs, tuition and fees and calendars, etc. In general, the catalogs are collected twice a year. Without the catalogs, VA and SAAs cannot determine what courses could be approved. There was a decrease in burden during this renewal period because, unlike for the previous submission, we now take the annual average number of catalogs received during periods 2019, 2020 and 2021, rather than the actual grand total of the number of catalogs received for those periods.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 87 FR 247 on December 27, 2022, page 79449.

Affected Public: Individuals and Households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 891 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Time per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Twice Annually.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,567.

By direction of the Secretary.

Maribel Aponte,

VA PRA Clearance Officer, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–0252]

Agency Information Collection Activity: Application for Authority To Close Loans on an Automatic Basis Nonsupervised Lenders; Request for Agent Recognition

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration, 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 extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before May 8, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M33), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420 or email to nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0252” in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Maribel Aponte, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics (008), 1717 H Street NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 266–4688 or email maribel.aponte@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0252” in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct