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Dean C. Nitz,

Manager, Detroit Airports District Office, FAA Great Lakes Region.

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## Federal Railroad Administration

### Petition for Exemption or Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with 49 CFR Sections 211.9 and 211.41, notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) has received from the Northeast Illinois Railroad Corporation (Metra) a request for an extension of the time period necessary to comply with a previously granted temporary waiver of compliance with certain requirements of the Federal safety laws and regulations. The petition is described below, including the regulatory provisions involved, the nature of the relief being requested, and the petitioner's arguments in favor of the relief.

Northeast Illinois Railroad Corporation (Metra); Waiver Petition Docket Number LI-93-13

The Locomotive Safety Standards (49 CFR Part 229) were revised on July 8, 1993, to require each lead locomotive of trains operating over 30 miles per hour to be equipped with an event recorder by May 5, 1995. On September 3, 1993, Metra petitioned FRA for an extension of the May 5, 1995 time limit in which to apply event recorders under 49 CFR 229.135. On February 6, 1995, FRA granted authority to extend this time limit for compliance to July 1, 1996, as requested, under Docket LI-93-13, and contingent upon Metra providing FRA with a status report of their event recorder installation schedule at quarterly intervals thereafter.

Metra seeks an extension of the time period necessary to comply with the previously granted temporary waiver of compliance. Metra's projected completion dates were contingent upon the delivery of event recording devices, the rebuilding of their electric multiple unit cars by an outside company, and the construction of new non-multiple unit control cab cars to replace a group of older non-multiple unit control cab cars. Metra has been unable to maintain the projected completion dates due to a lack of manpower within Metra, internal scheduling problems at the car rebuilder, and internal scheduling problems at the car builder. Metra

requests that the compliance date be extended to March 3, 1998.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Waiver Petition Docket Number LI-93-13) and must be submitted in triplicate to the Docket Clerk, Office of Chief Counsel, FRA, Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590. Communications received within 45 days of the date of publication of this notice will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.) in Room 8201, Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590.

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Phil Olekszyk,

Deputy Associate Administrator for Safety Compliance and Program Implementation.

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## Maritime Administration

### Notice of Approval of Applicant as Trustee

Notice is hereby given that First Union Bank of Connecticut, with offices at 10 State House Square, 2nd Floor CT5845, Hartford, Connecticut 06103-3698, has been approved as Trustee pursuant to Public Law 100-710 and 46 CFR Part 221.

Dated: May 23, 1996.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary.

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## Research and Special Programs Administration

### Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements; Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Department of Transportation (DOT), Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this notice announces that the Information Collection Requests (ICRs) abstracted below have been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collections of information was published on March 5, 1996 (61 FR 8706, 8707, 8708, and 8709).

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before June 22, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jackie Smith at RSPA, (202) 366-8553, and refer to the OMB Control Number.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Inspection and Testing of Portable Tanks and Immediate Bulk Containers [Former Title: Portable Tank Inspection and Testing]. This is a request for reinstatement with change of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137-0018

*Abstract:* This collection consolidates provisions for documenting qualifications, inspections and tests pertaining to the manufacture and use of portable tanks and intermediate bulk containers under various provisions in parts 173, 178 and 180 of the HMR.

It is needed to ascertain whether portable tanks and intermediate bulk containers have been qualified, inspected and retested in accordance with the HMR.

The information is used to verify that portable tanks and intermediate bulk containers meet required performance standards prior to being authorized for initial use or reuse as bulk packaging for hazardous materials.

*Respondents:* Manufacturers and owners of portable tanks and intermediate bulk containers.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:* The number of respondents is 314. The total annual responses are 51,220. The total annual burden hours are 51,340.

*Frequency:* Design qualification testing is performed at the start of

production for each new or different design type, periodic design type retesting is performed at one year intervals for intermediate bulk containers only, and periodic requalification of tanks in use is performed every 2–5 years, depending on the type of testing required and the tank specification.

*Title:* Testing, Inspection, and Marking Requirements for Cylinders [Former title: Recordkeeping and Information Collection for Cylinders].

*OMB Control Number:* 2137–0022.

*Abstract:* This information collection consolidates provisions for documenting qualifications, inspections and tests pertaining to the manufacture and use of cylinders under various provisions in parts 173, 178 and 180 of the HMR.

It is needed to ascertain whether cylinders have been qualified, inspected and retested in accordance with the HMR. For example, provisions in 49 CFR 173.34 for qualification, maintenance and use of cylinders require that cylinders be periodically inspected and retested to ensure continuing compliance with packaging standards. Information collection requirements also address registration of retesters and marking of cylinders by retesters and recertifiers.

The information is used to verify that cylinders meet required manufacturing standards prior to being authorized for initial use, and that once manufactured the cylinders are maintained and used in compliance with applicable requirements of the HMR as packaging for hazardous materials.

*Respondents:* Fillers, owners, users and retesters of reusable cylinders.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:* The number of respondents 139,352. The total annual responses are 153,287. The total annual burden hours 171,681.

*Frequency:* Collection Reports are required for cylinders as they are manufactured and initially tested. Cylinders are required to be marked after manufacture with specific information. Inspection reports are also required to verify compliance with the provisions of the HMR, including verification that the cylinders passed the required tests. Registration of retesters is performed on a one-time basis. Retester marking on a cylinder is performed once every 5 to 20 years depending on cylinder specification and type of service. Pressure verification for acetylene cylinders is performed daily.

*Title:* Hazardous Materials Incident Reports.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137–0039.

*Abstract:* This collection is applicable upon occurrence of incidents as prescribed in 49 CFR 171.15 and 171.16. Basically, a Hazardous Materials Incident Report, DOT Form F 5800.1, must be completed by a carrier of hazardous materials after a hazardous material transportation incident occurs, such as a release of material, serious accident, evacuation or highway shutdown. Serious incidents meeting criteria in 49 CFR 171.15 also require a telephonic report by the carrier.

This information collection enhances RSPA'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 requirement applies to all carriers engaged in the transportation of hazardous materials by rail, air, water and highway.

*Respondents:* Each carrier who transports hazardous materials.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:* The number of respondents is 700. The total annual responses are 16,600.

The total annual burden hours are 24,190.

*Frequency:* Reports are required upon occurrence of a reportable incident.

*Title:* Flammable Cryogenic Liquids [Previous title: Cryogenic Liquids Requirements].

*OMB Control Number:* 2137–0542.

*Abstract:* Provisions in 49 CFR 177.818 require the carriage on a motor vehicle of written procedures for venting flammable cryogenic liquids and for responding to emergencies. Sections 173.318(g), 177.840(h), and 180.405(h) specify certain safety procedures and documentation requirements for drivers of these motor vehicles. These requirements are intended to ensure a high level of safety when transporting flammable cryogenics due to their extreme flammability.

This information is used to ensure safe transportation of flammable cryogenic liquids and that proper proactive mitigation measures are taken if necessary to preclude an uncontrolled breach of the cargo tank.

*Respondents:* Carriers of flammable cryogenic liquids in bulk.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:* The number of respondents are 65. The total annual responses are 18,200. The total annual burden hours are 1,213.

*Frequency:* A response is required for each shipment of a flammable cryogenic material.

*Title:* Approvals for Hazardous Materials. This is a request for

reinstatement with change of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137–0557.

*Abstract:* The Department shippers and manufacturers use these approvals to assure the safe transportation of hazardous material which pose specific packing requirements.

Pursuant to section 49 CFR Part 107, Hazardous Material Procedures and Hazardous Materials Regulations, Part 171–180, requires RSPA to collect this information.

This information is used by RSPA to determine whether applicants who apply to become designated approval agencies are qualified to evaluate package design, test packages, classify hazardous materials, etc.

*Respondents:* The respondents are individuals, businesses, not-for-profit institutions, Federal Government and State, local or tribal Government.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:* The number of respondents are 3,503. The total annual responses are 3,853. The total annual burden hours are 18,302.

*Frequency:* On occasion of application for a benefit.

*Title:* Testing Requirements for Packaging.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137–0572.

*Abstract:* Detailed packaging manufacturing specifications have been replaced by a series of performance tests that a non-bulk packaging must be capable of passing before it is authorized to be used for transporting hazardous materials. The HMR require proof that packaging meet these testing requirements. Manufacturers must retain records of design qualification tests and periodic retests. Manufacturers must notify, in writing, persons to whom packaging are transferred of any specification requirements that have not been met at the time of transfer. Subsequent distributors, as well as manufacturers must provide written notification. Performance-oriented packaging standards allow manufacturers and shippers much greater flexibility in selecting more economical packaging.

*Respondents:* Each non-bulk packaging manufacturer that tests packaging to ensure the safe transportation of hazardous materials.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:* The number of respondents are 5,000. The total annual responses are 15,000. The total annual burden hours are 30,000.

*Frequency:* Tests are performed at start of production of a packaging design type and repeated at one or two-year

intervals, depending on the type of packaging. Written notification is provided at time of first transfer, to each person to whom a packaging is transferred.

*Title:* Container Certification Statement [Previous title: Statement of Structural Serviceability for Freight Containers to be used for Class 1.1 and 1.2 Explosives].

*OMB Control Number:* 2137-0582.

*Abstract:* As required in Sec. 176.27, shippers of hazardous materials, in freight containers or transport vehicles by vessel, are required to certify that the freight container or transport vehicle is serviceable, that the hazardous materials are properly marked, labeled, or placarded, loaded and secured. For explosives in Division 1.1 and 1.2, shippers are required to certify on shipping documentation that the freight container or transport vehicle meets minimal structural serviceability requirements (see Sec. 176.172).

These requirements are intended to ensure an adequate level of safety for transport of hazardous materials aboard vessel and ensure consistency with similar requirements in international standards.

*Respondents:* Shippers of hazardous materials, including explosives in freight containers or transport vehicles by vessel.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:* The number of respondents are 530. The total annual responses are 604,000. The total annual burden hours are 15,100.

*Frequency:* The statement is required for each shipment of hazardous material in a freight container or transport vehicle aboard a vessel.

*Title:* Hazardous Materials Public Sector Planning and Training Grants.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137-0586.

*Abstract:* Part 110 of 49 CFR sets forth procedures for reimbursable grants for public sector planning and training in support of the emergency planning and training efforts of States, Indian tribes and local communities to deal with hazardous materials emergencies, particularly those involving transportation. Sections in this part address information collection and recordkeeping with regard to applying for grants, monitoring expenditures, reporting and requesting modifications.

*Respondents:* State and local governments, Indian tribes.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:* The number of respondents are 66. The total annual responses are 66. The total annual burden hours are 4,082.

*Frequency:* Application for a grant is at the discretion of the applicant and

can be made as frequently as every annual grant cycle. Financial status reports are submitted quarterly. Grantees must complete a performance report at the end of the grant period.

*Title:* Response Plans for Shipments of Oil [Previous title: Preparation of Response Plans for Shipments of Oil].

*OMB Control Number:* 2137-0591.

*Abstract:* In recent years several major oil discharges damaged the marine environment of the United States. As required by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, RSPA has issued regulations that require preparation of written spill response plans and, in certain instances, submission of these plans to RSPA for the transportation of oil in bulk by motor vehicle or rail car. These plans are intended to aid in the mitigation of the effects of unintended discharges of oil to the environment.

*Respondents:* Carriers that transport oil in bulk, by motor vehicle or rail.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:* The number of respondents are 8,000. The total annual responses are 8,000. The total annual burden hours are 10,560.

*Frequency:* One time report, plus notification of changes when needed.

Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention RSPA Desk Officer.

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Phillip A. Leach,

*Clearance Officer, United States Department of Transportation.*

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### **International Standards on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; Public Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA), Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is to advise interested persons that RSPA will conduct a public meeting to prepare for the twelfth session of the United Nation's Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (UNSCOE).

**DATES:** June 26, 1996 at 9:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Room 8236-8240, Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20590.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Frits Wybenga, International Standards Coordinator, Office of Hazardous

Materials Safety, Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590; (202) 366-0656.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This meeting will be held in preparation for the twelfth session of the UNSCOE held from July 1 to 12, 1996, in Geneva, Switzerland. During this public meeting, U.S. positions on proposals submitted to the twelfth session of the UNSCOE will be discussed. Topics to be covered include matters related to international harmonization of classification criteria, restructuring the UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods into a model rule, criteria for environmentally hazardous substances, review of intermodal portable tank requirements, review of the requirements applicable to small quantities of hazardous materials in transport (limited quantities), classification of individual substances, requirements for bulk and non-bulk packagings used to transport hazardous materials, and infectious substances.

The public is invited to attend without prior notification.

### **Documents**

Copies of documents submitted to the twelfth session of the UNSCOE may be obtained from RSPA. A listing of these documents is available on the Hazardous Materials Information Exchange (HMIX), RSPA's computer bulletin board. Documents may be ordered by contacting RSPA's Dockets Unit (202-366-5046). For more information on the use of the HMIX system, contact the HMIX information center; 1-800-PLANFOR (752-6367); in Illinois, 1-800-367-9592; Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Central time. The HMIX may also be accessed via the Internet at [hmix.dis.anl.gov](http://hmix.dis.anl.gov).

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Alan I. Roberts,

*Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety.*

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### **Surface Transportation Board**

[STB Finance Docket No. 32958]

### **Warren & Trumbull Railroad Co.— Trackage Rights Exemption— Economic Development Rail II Corporation**

Economic Development Rail II Corporation (EDR-II) will agree to grant

<sup>1</sup> The ICC Termination Act of 1995, Pub. L. No. 104-88, 109 Stat. 803, which was enacted on