

0033 dated January 30, 1998 r2, Mid/South Atlantic-Africa Expedited Resos r1-002s r2-002w, Intended effective date: April 1, 1998.

Docket Number: OST-98-3428.

Date Filed: February 4, 1998.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: PTC12 NMS-AFR 0031 dated January 30, 1998, North Atlantic-Africa Expedited Reso 002q, Intended effective date: April 1, 1998.

Paulette V. Twine,

Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Notice of Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits Filed Under Subpart Q During the Week Ending February 6, 1998

The following Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits were filed under Subpart Q of the Department of Transportation's Procedural Regulations (See 14 CFR 302.1701 et seq.). The due date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motions to Modify Scope are set forth below for each application. Following the Answer period DOT may process the application by expedited procedures. Such procedures may consist of the adoption of a show-cause order, a tentative order, or in appropriate cases a final order without further proceedings.

Docket Number: OST-98-3435.

Date Filed: February 5, 1998.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: March 5, 1998.

Description: Application of Federal Express Corporation, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. Section 41110 and Subpart Q of the Regulations, applies for an amendment of its existing certificate authority to provide scheduled foreign air transportation of property and mail between points in the United States, on the one hand, and points in Japan, on the other hand, as contained in Federal Express' certificate of public convenience and necessity for Route 205-F. The purpose of this application is to amend the route description in Federal Express' U.S.-Japan all-cargo certificate for Route 205-F to conform to the liberalized U.S.-flag all-cargo route authority for "incumbent" carriers designated pursuant to the August 11, 1952 Civil Air Transport Agreement between the U.S. and Japan, as amended

(the 1952 Agreement), as provided for in the recently-signed January 30, 1998 Memorandum of Consultations between the U.S. and Japan (the 1998 MOC).

Docket Number: OST-96-1131.

Date Filed: February 6, 1998.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: March 6, 1998.

Description: Amendment No. 1 to Application of United Air Lines, Inc., pursuant to 49 U.S.C. Section 41101, and Subpart Q, requests that its certificate for Route 130 be amended to add a new segment authorizing United to offer scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail between any point or points behind the U.S., any point or points in the U.S., any intermediate point or points, any point or points in Japan, and any point or points beyond Japan. United also requests authority to integrate its new services described above with outstanding international agreements; and Motion for leave to amend.

Docket Number: OST-98-3441.

Date Filed: February 6, 1998.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: March 6, 1998.

Description: Application of Northwest Airlines, Inc., pursuant to 49 U.S.C. Sections 41108 and 41102 and Subpart Q of the Regulations, requests issuance of a new certificate of public convenience and necessity, or an amended certificate of public convenience and necessity for Route 129, authorizing Northwest to provide scheduled foreign air transportation of: (a) persons, property and mail between a point or points in the United States, on the one hand, and a point or points in Japan, on the other, via a point or points in the countries listed in Attachment A hereto, and beyond Japan to a point or points in the countries listed in attachment A hereto; and (b) property and mail between a point or points in the United States, on the one hand, and points in Japan, on the other, via any intermediate point or points and beyond Japan to any point or points.

Paulette V. Twine,

Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

[FHWA Docket No. 98-3321]

Notice of Request for Renewal of an Existing Information Collection

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the FHWA to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to renew the information collection identified below under supplementary information.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 20, 1998.

ADDRESSES: All signed, written comments should refer to the docket number that appears in the heading of this document and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. All comments received will be available for examination at the above address between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Those desiring notification of receipt of comments must include a self-addressed, stamped postcard/envelope.

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 FHWA; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity 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 renewal of this information collection.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Ralph Erickson, Office of Highway Information Management, 202-366-0170, or Charles Medalen, Office of Chief Counsel, 202-366-1354, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Certification of Enforcement of the Heavy Vehicle Use Tax

OMB Number: 2125-0541.

Background: Title 23, United States Code, Section 141(d), provides that a State's apportionment of funds under 23 U.S.C. 104(b)(5) shall be reduced in an amount up to 25 percent of the amount to be apportioned during any fiscal year beginning after September 30, 1984, if vehicles subject to the Federal heavy vehicle use tax are lawfully registered in the State without having presented proof of payment of the tax. The annual certification of collection of the heavy vehicle use tax submitted by each State serves as the primary means of determining State compliance with 23 U.S.C. 141(d) by the FHWA. Under the rulemaking authority granted to the Secretary of Transportation by 23 U.S.C. 315, the FHWA has determined that an annual certification of compliance by each State is the least obtrusive means of administering the provisions of the legislative mandate.

Evidence of compliance with 23 U.S.C. 141(d) is comprised of two elements: reporting and recordkeeping. The reporting element consists of a simple certification submitted to FHWA on an annual basis by the State's Governor or designated official. The recordkeeping element consists of a one-year retention of Schedule 1, Form 2290, by the States (or other suitable alternative provided by regulation). Compliance reviews are periodically conducted by FHWA to determine if the certification is adequate to ensure effective administration of 23 U.S.C. 141(d).

The certification requirement is the critical factor in establishing a manageable and reasonable procedure for determining State compliance with the statute. Without annual certification and supporting records, determinations of compliance would involve frequent reviews of State registration procedures and practices and would clearly be an obtrusive Federal presence in State programs.

Respondents: State highway agencies.

Estimated Annual Burden on Respondents: 12 hours per respondent.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 624 hours.

Authority: 23 U.S.C. 141(d); 23 CFR 669.

Issued: February 6, 1998.

George Moore,

Associate Administrator for Administration.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Treasury, Chief Information Officer; Proposed Collection; Request for Voluntary Survey

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, Chief Information Officer, manages the Simplified Tax and Wage Reporting System (STAWRS) project. The mission of STAWRS is to "Reduce employer tax reporting burden, while gaining processing efficiencies for both Federal and state governments." STAWRS is a joint National Performance Review (NPR) project of the Department of Treasury, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Social Security Administration (SSA), the Department of Labor (DOL), the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), various state governments, and private organizations. The STAWRS project has three major areas of emphasis: 1—Single Point Filing; 2—Streamlined Customer Service; 3—Simplified Requirements. In order to assess the private sector's intensity of interest to utilize Electronic commerce (EC) for tax and wage submission, the *Tax and Wage Reporting Survey* has been developed.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before April 15, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Kevin Gill, Program Manager STAWRS Project Office, Room 1400, 500 N. Capitol St. NW, Washington, DC 20001; (202) 874-0712; Internet Address Kevin.R.Gill@ccgate.hq.irs.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to Kevin Gill, Program Manager STAWRS Project Office, Room 1400, 500 N. Capitol St. NW, Washington, DC 20001; (202) 874-0712; Internet Address Kevin.R.Gill@ccgate.hq.irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Tax and Wage Reporting Survey.

Abstract: This is a generic clearance for a level of customer interest survey and focus group interviews to reduce employer tax burden to be conducted over the next year.

Current Actions: We will be conducting one Tax and Wage Reporting Survey to determine the intensity of employer interest in Electronic Commerce. Focus Group interviews, with private sector employers, will take place during the next year.

Type of Review: New collection.

Affected Public: Private sector business employers; Federal, state, and local governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 100.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 20 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 335 hours.

Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: February 9, 1998.

Midori Morgan-Gaide,

STAWRS Executive-In-Charge.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission to OMB for Review; Comment Request

February 5, 1998.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-0742.

Regulation Project Number: EE-111-80 (TD 8019) Final.

Type of Review: Extension.