insulin, and is able to drive a CMV safely. Mr. Ratliff meets the vision requirements of 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10). His ophthalmologist examined him in 2012 and certified that he has stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy. He holds a Class A CDL from Texas.

#### Richard J. Rembisz

Mr. Rembisz, 62, has had ITDM since 2011. His endocrinologist examined him in 2012 and certified that he has had no severe hypoglycemic reactions resulting in loss of consciousness, requiring the assistance of another person, or resulting in impaired cognitive function that occurred without warning in the past 12 months and no recurrent (2 or more) severe hypoglycemic episodes in the last 5 years. His endocrinologist certifies that Mr. Rembisz understands diabetes management and monitoring, has stable control of his diabetes using insulin, and is able to drive a CMV safely. Mr. Rembisz meets the vision requirements of 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10). His ophthalmologist examined him in 2012 and certified that he does not have diabetic retinopathy. He holds a Class B CDL from New York.

#### Richard L. Smith

Mr. Smith, 63, has had ITDM since 2011. His endocrinologist examined him in 2012 and certified that he has had no severe hypoglycemic reactions resulting in loss of consciousness, requiring the assistance of another person, or resulting in impaired cognitive function that occurred without warning in the past 12 months and no recurrent (2 or more) severe hypoglycemic episodes in the last 5 years. His endocrinologist certifies that Mr. Smith understands diabetes management and monitoring, has stable control of his diabetes using insulin, and is able to drive a CMV safely. Mr. Smith meets the vision requirements of 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10). His optometrist examined him in 2012 and certified that he does not have diabetic retinopathy. He holds a Class A CDL from Georgia.

# Darrin L. Stoneberg

Mr. Stoneberg, 32, has had ITDM since 2004. His endocrinologist examined him in 2012 and certified that he has had no severe hypoglycemic reactions resulting in loss of consciousness, requiring the assistance of another person, or resulting in impaired cognitive function that occurred without warning in the past 12 months and no recurrent (2 or more) severe hypoglycemic episodes in the last 5 years. His endocrinologist certifies that Mr. Stoneberg understands diabetes management and monitoring, has stable

control of his diabetes using insulin, and is able to drive a CMV safely. Mr. Stoneberg meets the vision requirements of 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10). His optometrist examined him in 2012 and certified that he does not have diabetic retinopathy. He holds a Class D operator's license from Minnesota.

## Gary J. Tricarico

Mr. Tricarico, 64, has had ITDM since 2010. His endocrinologist examined him in 2012 and certified that he has had no severe hypoglycemic reactions resulting in loss of consciousness, requiring the assistance of another person, or resulting in impaired cognitive function that occurred without warning in the past 12 months and no recurrent (2 or more) severe hypoglycemic episodes in the last 5 years. His endocrinologist certifies that Mr. Tricarico understands diabetes management and monitoring, has stable control of his diabetes using insulin, and is able to drive a CMV safely. Mr. Tricarico meets the vision requirements of 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10). His ophthalmologist examined him in 2012 and certified that he does not have diabetic retinopathy. He holds a Class A CDL from Connecticut.

## Lacy I. Wallace, Jr.

Mr. Wallace, 65, has had ITDM since 2012. His endocrinologist examined him in 2012 and certified that he has had no severe hypoglycemic reactions resulting in loss of consciousness, requiring the assistance of another person, or resulting in impaired cognitive function that occurred without warning in the past 12 months and no recurrent (2 or more) severe hypoglycemic episodes in the last 5 years. His endocrinologist certifies that Mr. Wallace understands diabetes management and monitoring, has stable control of his diabetes using insulin, and is able to drive a CMV safely. Mr. Wallace meets the vision requirements of 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10). His optometrist examined him in 2012 and certified that he does not have diabetic retinopathy. He holds a Class A CDL from North Carolina.

#### **Request for Comments**

In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, FMCSA requests public comment from all interested persons on the exemption petitions described in this notice. We will consider all comments received before the close of business on the closing date indicated in the date section of the notice.

FMCSA notes that section 4129 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users requires the Secretary to revise its diabetes exemption program established on September 3, 2003 (68 FR 52441). The revision must provide for individual assessment of drivers with diabetes mellitus, and be consistent with the criteria described in section 4018 of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (49 U.S.C. 31305).

Section 4129 requires: (1) Elimination of the requirement for 3 years of experience operating CMVs while being treated with insulin; and (2) establishment of a specified minimum period of insulin use to demonstrate stable control of diabetes before being allowed to operate a CMV.

In response to section 4129, FMCSA made immediate revisions to the diabetes exemption program established by the September 3, 2003 notice. FMCSA discontinued use of the 3-year driving experience and fulfilled the requirements of section 4129 while continuing to ensure that operation of CMVs by drivers with ITDM will achieve the requisite level of safety required of all exemptions granted under 49 U.S.C. 31136 (e).

Section 4129(d) also directed FMCSA to ensure that drivers of CMVs with ITDM are not held to a higher standard than other drivers, with the exception of limited operating, monitoring and medical requirements that are deemed medically necessary.

The FMCSA concluded that all of the operating, monitoring and medical requirements set out in the September 3, 2003 notice, except as modified, were in compliance with section 4129(d). Therefore, all of the requirements set out in the September 3, 2003 notice, except as modified by the notice in the **Federal Register** on November 8, 2005 (70 FR 67777), remain in effect.

Issued on: December 28, 2012.

#### Larry W. Minor,

Associate Administrator for Policy. [FR Doc. 2013–00227 Filed 1–8–13; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE P

## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **Federal Railroad Administration**

[Docket No. FRA 2013-0002-N-1]

# Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Section 4129(a) refers to the 2003 notice as a "final rule." However, the 2003 notice did not issue a "final rule" but did establish the procedures and standards for issuing exemptions for drivers with ITDM.

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

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and its implementing regulations, the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) hereby announces that it is seeking renewal of the following currently approved information collection activities. Before submitting these information collection requirements (ICRs) for clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), FRA is soliciting public comment on specific aspects of the activities identified below.

**DATES:** Comments must be received no later than March 11, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on any or all of the following proposed activities by mail to either: Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Safety, Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS-21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., Mail Stop 25, Washington, DC 20590, or Ms. Kimberly Toone, Office of Information Technology, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave. 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-Alternatively, comments may be transmitted via facsimile to (202) 493-6216 or (202) 493-6497, or via email to Mr. Brogan at Robert.Brogan@dot.gov, or to Ms. Toone at

Kimberly. 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: Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS–21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., Mail Stop 25, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493–6292) or Ms. Kimberly Toone, Office of Information Technology, RAD–20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493–6132). (These telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Public Law 104–13, § 2, 109 Stat. 163 (1995) (codified as revised at 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 for comment on information collection activities before seeking approval for reinstatement or renewal by OMB. 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 respondents to comment on the following summary of proposed information collection activities regarding (i) whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the activities will have practical utility; (ii) the accuracy of FRA's estimates of the burden of the information collection activities, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimates; (iii) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (iv) ways for FRA to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public by automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology (e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses). See 44 U.S.C.

3506(c)(2)(A)(I)-(iv); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1)(I)-(iv). FRA believes that soliciting public comment will promote its efforts to reduce the administrative and paperwork burdens associated with the collection of information mandated by Federal regulations. In summary, FRA reasons that comments received will advance three objectives: (i) Reduce reporting burdens; (ii) ensure that it organizes information collection requirements in a "user friendly" format to improve the use of such information; and (iii) accurately assess the resources expended to retrieve and produce information requested. See 44 U.S.C.

Below is a brief summary of the currently approved ICRs that FRA will submit for clearance by OMB as required under the PRA:

*Title:* Passenger Equipment Safety Standards.

OMB Control Number: 2130-0544.

Abstract: The information gained from daily inspections is used to detect and correct equipment problems so as to prevent collisions, derailments, and other occurrences involving railroad passenger equipment that cause injury or death to railroad employees, railroad passengers, or to the general public; and to mitigate the consequences of any such occurrences, to the extent that they cannot be prevented. The information provided promotes passenger train safety by ensuring requirements are met for railroad equipment design and performance; fire safety; emergency systems; the inspection, testing, and maintenance of passenger equipment; and other provisions for the safe operation of railroad passenger equipment.

Affected Public: Businesses.
Respondent Universe: 27 railroads.
Frequency of Submission: On occasion; annually.

## REPORTING BURDEN

CFR Section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours
229.47: Emergency Brake Valve—Stenciling Locomotives	27 railroads	30 stencillings	1 minute	1
Stenciling: DMU, MU, Cab Control Locomotives.	27 railroads	5 stencillings	1 minute	.08
238.7 Waivers	27 railroads	5 waivers	2 hours	10
238.15: Movement of Passenger Equip. w/power brake defects: Limitations on movement found during Class I/IA Brake Test	27 railroads	1,000 tags/cards	3 minutes	50
Limitations on movement of passenger equip. in passenger service that becomes defective en route after Class I/IA brake test.	27 railroads	288 tags/cards	3 minutes	14
Conditional Requirement: Notifications	27 railroads	144 Notifications	3 minutes	7

# REPORTING BURDEN—Continued

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CFR Section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours
238.17: Movement of Passenger Equip. w/Other than Power Brake Defects: Defects Developed En Route	27 railroads	200 tags/cards	3 minutes	10
Special Requisites For Movement of Equipment w/Safety Appliance Defects.	27 railroads	76 tags/cards	3 minutes	4
Notifications	22 railroads27 railroads	38 notifications	30 seconds	.32 16
For Alternative Std.	07 11	A market and	400 h	100
Petitions For Alternative Compl. 238.21: Petitions For Special Approval of Pre- Revenue Service Acceptance Plan	27 railroads 27 railroads	1 petition 10 petitions	120 hours	120 400
Comments	Public/RR Industry	4 comments	1 hour	4
238.103: Fire Safety: Fire Safety Analysis: New Railroads—New Equipment	2 New Railroads	2 fire safety analyses	150 hours	300
Existing Equipment: Fire Safety Analysis Equipment Transferred to New Service: Fire Safety Analysis.	27 railroads	1 analysis 3 analyses	40 hours	40 60
238.107: Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance Plan: Annual Reviews	27 railroads	12 reviews	60 hours	720
238.109: Training, Qualification, and Designation Prog.—Training Employees Who Perform Mechanical Insp.	7,500 employees; 100 trainers.	2,500 employees trained/100 instruc- tors.	1.33 hours	3,458
Recordkeeping	27 railroads 9 equipment manufacturers.	2,500 records 2 plans	3 minutes	125 32
Revenue Service Equipment Not Previously Used in Revenue	9 equipment manufac-	2 plans	192 hours	384
Service. Subsequent Orders	turers. 9 equipment manufac-	2 plans	60 hours	120
238.213: Corner Posts—Plan in lieu of meeting requirements of section (b) of this provision	turers. 27 railroads	10 plans	40 hours	400
238.229: Welded Safety Appliances—List identifying each piece of equipment w/a welded	27 railroads	27 lists	60 minutes	27
safety bracket/support  List of passenger equipment placed into service prior to Jan. 1, 2007, with a welded safety appliance.	27 railroads	27 lists	60 minutes	27
Tagging defective welded safety appliance Notification to crewmembers of movement	27 railroads 27 railroads	4 tags 2 notifications	3 minutes 1 minutes	20 .0333
of defective equipment. Written safety appliance inspection plan to FRA.	27 railroads	27 plans	16 hours	432
Training of RR inspection personnel			4 hours	216
Remedial action: Record Petition for Special Approval of Alternative	27 railroads 27 railroads	1 record	2.25 hour 4 hours	2 60
Compliance pursuant to section 238.21.  Record of inspection/repair of welded safety	27 railroads	3,054 records	12 minutes	611
appliance brackets/supports. 238.230: Safety Appliances: New Equipment—	27 railroads	100 records	6 minutes	10
Inspection/Record of welded safety appliance brackets/supports				
Documentation to FRA of Other welded safety appliances & safety appliance	27 railroads	15 documents	4 hours	60
brackets/supports.  238.231: RR Procedure to secure unattended lo- comotive required to have a hand brake or	27 railroads	27 procedures	2 hours	54
parking brake applied 238.237: Automated Monitoring—Documentation for setting alerter or deadman control	27 railroads	3 documents	2 hours	6
Tagging defective alerter or deadman control in locomotive cab.	27 railroads	25 tags	3 minutes	1
238.303: Exterior Calendar Day Inspection of Equip.	27 railroads	25 notices	2 minutes	1
Defective Dynamic Brakes on MU Loco- motive.	27 railroads	50 tags/cards	3 minutes	3
Defective Dynamic Brakes on Conventional Locos.	27 railroads	50 tags/cards	3 minutes	3
MU equipment with inoperative/or ineffective air compressor: documentation of train safety.	27 railroads	4 documents	2 hours	8

### REPORTING BURDEN—Continued

CFR Section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours
Notice to train crew of number of units with inoperative or ineffective air compressors.	27 railroads	100 notices	3 minutes	5
Record of inoperative or ineffective air compressor.	27 railroads	100 records	2 minutes	3
Record of each exterior calendar day me- chanical inspection.	27 railroads	2,376,920 records	1 minute	435,769
238.305: Interior Calendar Day Mechanical Insp.: Tagging Reg.	27 railroads	540 tags	1 minute	9
Inspection and Records	27 railroads	1,968,980 inspect/	5 minutes + 1 minute	196,898
238.307: Periodic Mechanical Inspection of Pass. Cars: Notification of Alternative Intervals	27 railroads	2 notifications	5 hours	10
Non-Complying Conditions	27 railroads	200 notices	2 minutes	7
Inspections and Records of Insp.	27 railroads	19,284 inspections/ records.	200 hours + 2 minutes	3,857,443
Reliability Assessments Concerning Alt. Inspection Interval.	27 railroads	5 documents	100 hours	500
238.311: Single Car Test: Movement to Nest Forward Location	27 railroads	50 tags	3 minutes	3
238.313: Class I Brake Test—Records	27 railroads	15,600 records	30 minutes	7,800
238.315: Class IA Brake Test	27 railroads	18,250 verbal notices	5 seconds	25
Communication Signal Tests	22 railroads	365,000 tests	15 seconds	1,521
238.317: Class II Brake Test: Communication Signal System Test	27 railroads	365,000 tests	15 seconds	1,521
238.321: Out-of-service credit	27 railroads	1,250 notations	2 minutes	42
238.445: Automated Monitoring	1 railroad	10,000 alerts/alarms	10 seconds	28
Self-Tests: Notific	1 railroad	21,900 notifications	20 seconds	122
238.503/505: FRA approval of written inspection, testing, and maintenance program for Tier II	27 railroads	1 program/plan	1,200 hours	1,200
passenger equipment prior to implementation				
of program & use of equipment in passenger				
operation				
Comments on program	Public/Interested Rail Parties.	3 comments	3 hours	9

Total Responses: 5,151,727. Estiamated Total Annual Burden: 4,510,711 hours.

Status: Regular Review.
Title: Designation of Qualified
Persons.

OMB Control Number: 2130–0511.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses.

Form(s): N/A.

Abstract: The collection of information is used to prevent the unsafe movement of defective freight cars. Railroads are required to inspect freight cars for compliance and to determine restrictions on the movements of defective cars.

Annual Estimated Burden: 40 hours. Status: Regular Review.

Pursuant to 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.

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 3, 2013.

#### Rebecca Pennington,

Chief Financial Officer, Federal Railroad Administration.

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# **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

# Federal Railroad Administration

#### [Docket Number FRA-2001-10215]

# **Petition for Waiver of Compliance**

In accordance with part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that by a document dated November 1, 2012, the Finger Lakes Railway Corp. (FGLK) has petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) to seek an extension of an existing waiver of compliance from certain provisions contained at 49 CFR Part 223–Safety Glazing Standards–Locomotives, Passenger Cars and Cabooses for six cars. The car numbers of those six cars are: FGLK 7201, FGLK

7202, FGLK 7601, FGLK7602, FGLK 1642, and FGLK 1643.

In support of an extension of the existing waiver, the FGLK petition states that the cars subject to this request are in all aspects still operating in the same service environment with no changes to speed or line segments. FGLK is following the conditions stipulated in the existing waiver. FGLK states that glass replacement continues to be an extremely high cost for an excursion operation and would jeopardize any chance of profitability for such operation for quite some time.

Additionally, the frequency of excursion services offered by FGLK has decreased by nearly 75 percent in the past 2 years as freight movements have taken precedence. This would further hamper the ability to justify any costs associated with replacing noncompliant window glass with Part 223-compliant glazing. Since the last waiver request was granted by FRA, FGLK replaced 22 pieces of noncompliant glass in 2009 at a cost of nearly \$9,000.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov and in person at