

Logistics [87 FR 79931; 88 FR 52241; 87 FR 36360; 87 FR 38449; 87 FR 18855; 86 FR 11050]. To date, the Agency does not have record of any of the companies operating under the 49 CFR 383.25(a)(1) exemption experiencing any deterioration of their safety records or involvement in crashes.

The requested exemption is restricted to Covenant Logistics' CLP holders who have documentation that they have passed the CDL skills test. The exemption will enable these drivers to operate a CMV as a team driver without the accompanying CDL holder to be in the front seat.

## VII. Terms and Conditions

When operating under this exemption, Covenant Logistics and its drivers are subject to the following terms and conditions:

(1) Covenant Logistics and its drivers must comply with all other applicable Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (49 CFR parts 350–399);

(2) The drivers must be in possession of a valid State driver's license, a CLP with the required endorsements, and documentation from the testing State that they have passed the CDL skills test;

(3) A CDL holder with the proper CDL class and endorsements must be in the operated CMV;

(4) The drivers must not be subject to any out-of-service order or suspension of driving privileges; and

(5) The drivers must be able to provide this exemption document to enforcement officials.

### Preemption

In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31315(d), as implemented by 49 CFR 381.600, during the period this exemption is in effect, no State shall enforce any law or regulation that conflicts with or is inconsistent with this exemption with respect to a firm or person operating under the exemption. States may, but are not required to, adopt the same exemption with respect to operations in intrastate commerce.

### Notification to FMCSA

Covenant Logistics must notify FMCSA within 5 business days of any accident (as defined in 49 CFR 390.5) involving any of its drivers operating under the terms of this exemption. The notification must include the following information:

- Name of the exemption: "Covenant Logistics"
- Date of the accident
- City or town, and State, in which the accident occurred, or closest to the accident scene

(d) Driver's name and license number

(e) Vehicle number and State license number

(f) Number of individuals suffering physical injury

(g) Number of fatalities

(h) The police-reported cause of the accident

(i) Whether the driver was cited for violation of any traffic laws, motor carrier safety regulations

(j) The driver's total driving time and total on-duty time prior to the accident.

Reports filed under this provision shall be emailed to [MCPSD@DOT.GOV](mailto:MCPSD@DOT.GOV).

### Termination

FMCSA does not believe the drivers covered by this exemption will experience any deterioration of their safety records. The exemption will be rescinded if: (1) Covenant Logistics and drivers operating under the exemption fail to comply with the terms and conditions of the exemption; (2) the exemption has resulted in a lower level of safety than was maintained before it was granted; or (3) continuation of the exemption would not be consistent with the goals and objects of 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315(b). FMCSA further reserves the right to terminate this exemption in the event it is no longer necessary due to revised regulatory requirements.

### Sue Lawless,

*Acting Deputy Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA–2010–0064]

### Consolidated Rail Corp.'s Request To Amend Its Positive Train Control System

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

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

**SUMMARY:** This document provides the public with notice that, on July 19, 2024, the Consolidated Rail Corp. (Conrail) submitted a request for amendment (RFA) to its FRA-certified positive train control (PTC) system. FRA is publishing this notice and inviting public comment on the railroad's RFA to its PTC system.

**DATES:** FRA will consider comments received by August 19, 2024. FRA may

consider comments received after that date to the extent practicable and without delaying implementation of valuable or necessary modifications to a PTC system.

### ADDRESSES:

*Comments:* Comments may be submitted by going to <https://www.regulations.gov> and following the online instructions for submitting comments.

*Instructions:* All submissions must include the agency name and the applicable docket number. The relevant PTC docket number for this host railroad is Docket No. FRA–2010–0064. For convenience, all active PTC dockets are hyperlinked on FRA's website at <https://railroads.dot.gov/research-development/program-areas/train-control/ptc/railroads-ptc-dockets>. All comments received will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>; this includes any personal information.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gabe Neal, Staff Director, Signal, Train Control, and Crossings Division, telephone: 816–516–7168, email: [Gabe.Neal@dot.gov](mailto:Gabe.Neal@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In general, Title 49 United States Code (U.S.C.) Section 20157(h) requires FRA to certify that a host railroad's PTC system complies with Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 236, subpart I, before the technology may be operated in revenue service. Before making certain changes to an FRA-certified PTC system or the associated FRA-approved PTC Safety Plan (PTCSP), a host railroad must submit, and obtain FRA's approval of, an RFA to its PTC system or PTCSP under 49 CFR 236.1021.

Under 49 CFR 236.1021(e), FRA's regulations provide that FRA will publish a notice in the **Federal Register** and invite public comment in accordance with 49 CFR part 211, if an RFA includes a request for approval of a material modification of a signal or train control system. Accordingly, this notice informs the public that, on July 19, 2024, Conrail submitted an RFA to its Interoperable Electronic Train Management System (I–ETMS), which seeks FRA's approval of Conrail's request to temporarily disable I–ETMS for a maximum period of four hours while Conrail performs an upgrade of its Back Office Subsystem. That RFA is available in Docket No. FRA–2010–0064.

Interested parties are invited to comment on Conrail's RFA by submitting written comments or data. During FRA's review of this railroad's RFA, FRA will consider any comments

or data submitted within the timeline specified in this notice and to the extent practicable, without delaying implementation of valuable or necessary modifications to a PTC system. *See* 49 CFR 236.1021; *see also* 49 CFR 236.1011(e). Under 49 CFR 236.1021, FRA maintains the authority to approve, approve with conditions, or deny a railroad's RFA at FRA's sole discretion.

#### Privacy Act Notice

In accordance with 49 CFR 211.3, FRA solicits comments from the public to better inform its decisions. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to <https://www.regulations.gov>, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/privacy>. *See* <https://www.regulations.gov/privacy-notice> for the privacy notice of [regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov). To facilitate comment tracking, we encourage commenters to provide their name, or the name of their organization; however, submission of names is completely optional. If you wish to provide comments containing proprietary or confidential information, please contact FRA for alternate submission instructions.

Issued in Washington, DC.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA-2024-0011]

#### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

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

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) and its implementing regulations, this notice announces that FRA is forwarding the Information Collection Request (ICR) summarized below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the information collection and its expected burden. On May 28, 2024, FRA published a notice providing a 60-day period for public comment on the ICR.

FRA received no comments in response to the notice.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 29, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed ICR should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find the particular ICR by selecting "Currently under Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Arlette Mussington, Information Collection Clearance Officer, at email: [arlette.mussington@dot.gov](mailto:arlette.mussington@dot.gov) or telephone: (571) 609-1285 or Ms. Joanne Swafford, Information Collection Clearance Officer, at email: [joanne.swafford@dot.gov](mailto:joanne.swafford@dot.gov) or telephone: (757) 897-9908.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520, and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, require Federal agencies to issue two notices seeking public comment on information collection activities before OMB may approve paperwork packages. *See* 44 U.S.C. 3506, 3507; 5 CFR 1320.8 through 1320.12. On May 28, 2024, FRA published a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** soliciting public comment on the ICR for which it is now seeking OMB approval. *See* 89 FR 46296. FRA has received no comments related to the proposed collection of information.

Before OMB decides whether to approve this proposed collection of information, it must provide 30 days' notice for public comment. Federal law requires OMB to approve or disapprove paperwork packages between 30 and 60 days after the 30-day notice is published. 44 U.S.C. 3507(b)-(c); 5 CFR 1320.12(d); *see also* 60 FR 44978, 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. The 30-day notice informs the regulated community of their opportunity to file relevant comments and affords the agency adequate time to consider public comments before it renders a decision. 60 FR 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. Therefore, respondents should submit their respective comments to OMB within 30 days of publication to best ensure having their full effect.

Comments are invited on the following ICR regarding: (1) whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) 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; (3) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The summary below describes the ICR that FRA will submit for OMB clearance as the PRA requires:

*Title:* Occupational Noise Exposure for Railroad Operating Employees.

*OMB Control Number:* 2130-0571.

*Abstract:* Title 49 CFR part 227 contains requirements for occupational noise exposure. FRA uses the collection of information to ensure that railroads covered by this rule establish and implement noise monitoring, hearing conservation, and audiometric testing programs to protect their employees against the harmful effects of excessive noise in the workplace.

Additionally, railroads must maintain testing and training records on noise and hearing conservation. Railroads must also make exposure measurement records for specific locations available to regional or national labor representatives upon request.

*Type of Request:* Extension without change (with changes in estimates) of a currently approved information collection.

*Affected Public:* Businesses (Railroads, railroad equipment manufacturers).

*Form(s):* N/A.

*Respondent Universe:* 531 railroads.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

*Total Estimated Annual Responses:* 159,925.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden:* 3,974 hours.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden Hour Dollar Cost Equivalent:* \$350,627.

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 that does not display a currently valid OMB control number.

*Authority:* 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520.

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