

addressed at the July 3–7, 2000 United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) meeting of governmental experts on the draft Convention on Underwater Cultural Heritage.

The meeting will be held in the Department of State located at 2201 C Street, NW, Washington, DC 20520, Room 1105. Interested members of the public are invited to attend, up to the capacity of the room. To expedite entry into the Department of State, please provide your name, social security number, and date of birth to Yvonne Seward (202) 647-3262, at least one week prior to the meeting. To enter the building you must present a photo ID, such as a drivers license or passport. Please use the entrance to the Department of State on C Street.

For further information, please contact Mr. Robert Blumberg, Office of Oceans Affairs, telephone (202) 647-4971.

Dated: May 17, 2000.

**Stephen M. Miller,**

*Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating Committee, Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Coast Guard

[USCG 2000–7379]

#### Collection of Information Under Review by Office of Management and Budget (OMB): OMB Control Number 2115–0644

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DOT.

**ACTION:** Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Coast Guard intends to seek the approval of OMB for the renewal of one Information Collection Request (ICR). The ICR comprises Understanding how Mariners use Aids to Navigation—A Systems Analysis Report for the U.S. Coast Guard Research and Development Center. Before submitting the ICR to OMB, the Coast Guard is asking for comments on the collection described below.

**DATES:** Comments must reach the Coast Guard on or before July 24, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** You may mail comments to the Docket Management System (DMS) [USCG 2000–7379], U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), room PL–401, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20590–0001, or deliver them to room PL–401, located on the Plaza Level of

the Nassif Building at the same address between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202–366–9329.

The DMS maintains the public docket for this request. Comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying in room PL–401, located on the Plaza Level of the Nassif Building at the above address between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. You may also access this docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Copies of the complete ICR is available through this docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov> and also from Commandant (G–SII–2), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, room 6106 (Attn: Barbara Davis), 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593–0001. The telephone number is 202–267–2326.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Barbara Davis, Office of Information Management, 202–267–2326, for questions on this document; Dorothy Walker, Chief, Documentary Services Division, U.S. Department of Transportation, 202–366–9330, for questions on the docket.

#### Request for Comments

The Coast Guard encourages interested persons to submit written comments. Persons submitting comments should include their names and addresses, identify this document [USCG 2000–7379], and give the reason for the comment. Please submit all comments and attachments in an unbound format no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. Persons wanting acknowledgment of receipt of comments should enclose stamped, self-addressed postcards or envelopes.

#### Information Collection Request

1. *Title:* Understanding how Mariners use Aids to Navigation—A Systems Analysis Project for the U.S. Coast Guard Research and Development Center.

*OMB Control Number:* 2115–0644.

*Summary:* The goal of the National Aids to Navigation Survey is to understand how mariners use aids in order to navigate. Navigational methods and techniques vary with the type of vessel, conditions of the waterway, and the navigator's experience.

*Need:* The survey is being done under the mandates of the National Performance Review and Executive order 12802. It will enable program officers in aids to navigation (AtoN) to assess navigational risk, implement appropriate AtoN strategies, and

measure the effectiveness of the program in reducing the number of vessel collisions, allisions, and groundings.

*Respondents:* Navigators of vessels.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Burden:* The estimated burden is 6,518 hours annually.

Dated: May 15, 2000.

**Daniel F. Sheehan,**

*Director of Information and Technology.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA–2000–7316]

#### Notice of Request for Renewal of an Information Collection; Medical Qualifications Requirements

**AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

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

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the FMCSA solicits comment on its intent to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the renewal to collect information for continuation of the requirements within 49 CFR parts 391 and 398 for (1) A medical examination form and certificate to be completed by a licensed medical examiner; (2) the submission of an application to the FMCSA for the agency to resolve conflicts of medical evaluation between medical examiners; (3) a driver qualification file for motor carriers to include the medical certificate; (4) a driver qualification file for motor carriers of migrant workers to include a doctor's certificate for every driver employed or used by them; (5) a driver qualification file to include a limb disability waiver issued to a driver; and (6) information collection requirements for granting exemptions from the vision requirements in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs).

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before July 24, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Signed, written comments should refer to the docket number that appears at the top 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 a.m. and 5

p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Those desiring notification of receipt of comments must include a self-addressed, stamped envelope or postcard.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mrs. Sandra Zywokarte, Office of Bus and Truck Standards & Operations, (202) 366-4001, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, DOT, 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:* Medical Qualifications Requirements.

*OMB Number:* 2126-0006.

*Background:* Title 49 U.S.C. 31136 requires the Secretary of Transportation to prescribe regulations to ensure that the physical qualifications of commercial motor vehicle (CMV) operators are adequate to enable them to operate CMVs safely. In addition, 49 U.S.C. 31502 authorizes the Secretary to prescribe requirements for qualifications of employees of a motor carrier when needed to promote safety of operation. Information about an individual's physical condition must be collected in order for the FMCSA and motor carriers to verify that the individual meets the physical qualifications for CMV drivers in 49 CFR 391.41 and for the FMCSA to determine whether the individual is physically able to operate a CMV safely. This information collection is comprised of the 6 components listed in the summary.

*Respondents:* Medical examiners, medical specialists, physicians, licensed doctors of medicine or osteopathy, motor carriers, and CMV drivers.

*Estimated Burden Per Record:* Eight minutes for a medical examiner to complete the medical examination form; 1 minute for the medical examiner to complete the medical examiner's certificate; 1 minute to copy and file the medical examiner's certificate; 1 hour to prepare an application for resolution of medical conflict; 15 minutes to complete an application for an initial waiver of physical defects or impairments; 2 minutes to complete an application for a renewal of a waiver of physical defects or impairments; 1 minute to copy and file limb waiver applications; 66 minutes to complete an application for a vision exemption with required supporting documents; and 1 minute for a doctor of medicine or osteopathy to complete a doctor's certificate for a driver of migrant workers.

*Frequency:* Estimated annual responses are as follows: 2,750,000

medical examinations and medical certificates; 2 applications for resolution of conflicts of medical evaluation; 750 applications for waivers of physical defects and impairments; 200 applications for renewal of waiver of physical defects and impairments; 840 applications for vision exemption; 100 medical certificates for drivers of migrant workers.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden:*

There are an estimated 5,500,000 CMV drivers, 2,750,000 per year who must undergo a medical examination. Approximately 2 cases per year are submitted to the FMCSA for a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge to resolve medical conflicts between medical examiners. There are approximately 1,500 limb waivers outstanding, resulting in 750 renewals. There are approximately 200 new applications for limb waivers annually. There are approximately 840 new applications for vision exemptions annually. Since the vision exemption program is new, the agency has not yet received any applications for renewal. The total estimated annual burden for this information collection is 459,321 hours.

**Public Comments Invited**

Interested parties are invited to send comments regarding any aspect of this information collection, including, but not limited to: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the FMCSA, including whether the information has practical utility; (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.

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**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 315 and 49 CFR 1.73.

Issued on: May 14, 2000.

**Julie Anna Cirillo,**

*Acting Deputy Administrator, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration**

**Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Vision**

**AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of denials.

**SUMMARY:** The FMCSA is publishing the names of persons denied exemptions from the vision standard in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10) and the reasons for the denials.

**DATES:** May 23, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information about the applications addressed in this notice, Ms. Teresa Doggett, Office of Bus and Truck Standards and Operations, MC-PSD, (202) 366-2990; for information about legal issues related to this rule, Ms. Judith Rutledge, Office of the Chief Counsel, (202) 366-2519, FMCSA, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, D.C. 20590-0001. Office hours are from 7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

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**Background**

The Secretary of Transportation (Secretary) has the authority under 49 U.S.C. 31502 and 31136 to establish standards for physical qualifications that must be met by commercial motor vehicle drivers in interstate commerce. These standards are published in 49 CFR part 391 of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations.

In October 1999, the Secretary rescinded the authority previously delegated to the Federal Highway Administrator to perform the motor carrier functions and operations, and to