David A. Leighow, Division Environmental Coordinator, Federal Highway Administration, 550 Eagan Street, Suite 300, Charleston, West Virginia 25301, Telephone (304) 347– 5268; or, Mr. Ben L. Hark, West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways, Building 5, Room A–464, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia 25305–0430, Telephone (304) 558–2885.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on a proposal to construct an approximately 3-mile bypass with partially controlled access on US 220 around Moorefield, Hardy County, West Virginia. The Moorefield Bypass is proposed to relieve traffic congestion associated with heavily industrialized areas within and surrounding the downtown area of Moorefield.

Alternatives under consideration include: (1) The No-Build Alternative, which consists of taking no action; and (2) the Build Alternatives, which include improving existing roadways and the construction of a bypass with partially controlled access on various new locations.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate federal, state, and local agencies, and to private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have an interest in this project. Public meetings will be held in the study area prior to the public hearings. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the meetings and hearings. The Draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing. A formal scoping meeting will be held.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues are identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments and questions concerning the proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research, Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program) Issued on: September 19, 1996.

David A. Leighow,

Environmental Coordinator Charleston, West Virginia.

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Surface Transportation Board

Release of Waybill Data

The Surface Transportation Board has received a request from Zuckert, Scoutt & Rasenberger, L.L.P. (The Texas Mexican Railway Company) for permission to use certain data from the Board's 1992 through 1995 Carload Waybill Samples. A copy of the request (WB500 - 9/18/96) may be obtained from the Office of Economics, Environmental Analysis and Administration.

The waybill sample contains confidential railroad and shipper data; therefore, if any parties object to these requests, they should file their objections with the Director of the Board's Office of Economics, Environmental Analysis and Administration within 14 calendar days of the date of this notice. The rules for release of waybill data are codified at 49 CFR 1244.8.

Contact: James A. Nash, (202) 927–6196.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Liquors and Articles From Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before November 29, 1996, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Linda Barnes, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927–8930.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to Tami Light, Wine, Beer and Spirits Regulations Branch, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927–8210.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Liquors and Articles from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands. OMB Number: 1512–0494. Recordkeeping Requirement ID Number: ATF REC 5530/3.

Abstract: This information collection applies to persons bringing nonbeverage products into the United States from Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Recordkeeping requirements are necessary for the verification of claims for drawback of distilled spirits excise taxes paid on such products. The record retention period for this information collection is 3 years.

Current Actions: There are no changes to this information collection and it is being submitted for extension purposes only

Type of Review: Extension. *Affected Public:* Business or other forprofit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 120.

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 the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (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. Also, ATF requests information regarding any monetary expenses you may incur while completing this information collection.

Dated: September 24, 1996

John W. Magaw

Director

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Tax Returns, Claims and Related Documents.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before November 29, 1996, to be assured of consideration.
ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Linda Barnes, 650
Massachusetts Avenue, NW.,
Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927–8930.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to Julie Cox, Tax
Compliance Branch, 650 Massachusetts
Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927–8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Tax Returns, Claims and Related Documents.

OMB Number: 1512–0492. Recordkeeping Requirement ID Number: ATF REC 5000/24.

Abstract: ATF is responsible for the collection of excise taxes on distilled spirits, wine, beer, cigars, cigarettes, chewing tobacco, snuff, cigarette papers, tubes and pipe tobacco. Alcohol and tobacco excise taxes plus alcohol and tobacco special occupational taxes are required to be collected on the basis of a return. 26 U.S.C. 5555 authorizes the Secretary to prescribe the regulations requiring every person liable for tax to prepare any records, statements or

returns as necessary to protect the revenue. The record retention period for this information collection is 3 years.

Current Actions: There are no changes to this information collection and it is being submitted for extension purposes only.

Type of Review: Extension.

Affected Public: Business or other forprofit, individuals or households, notfor-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 506,189.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1 hour.

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 the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (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.

Dated: September 24, 1996.

John W. Magaw,

Director.

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Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Wholesale Dealers Applications, Letterheads and Notices Relating to Operations (Variations in Format or Preparation of Records).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before November 29. 1996, to be assured of consideration. **ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Linda Barnes, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8930. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to David Brokaw, Wine, Beer and Spirits Regulations Branch, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Wholesale Dealers Applications, Letterheads, and Notices Relating to Operations (Variations in Format or Preparation of Records).

OMB Number: 1512–0357 Recordkeeping Requirement ID Number: ATF REC 5170/6.

Abstract: This recordkeeping requirement pertains only to those wholesale liquor and beer dealers submitting applications for a variance from the regulations dealing with preparation, format, type, or place of retention of records of receipt or disposition for alcoholic beverages. The record retention requirement for this information collection is 6 years.

Current Actions: There are no changes to this information collection and it is being submitted for extension purposes

Type of Review: Extension. *Affected Public:* Business or other forprofit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1.029.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 515.

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 the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (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. Also, ATF requests information