

decision that 1994–1997 BMW R1100 motorcycles that were not originally manufactured to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards are eligible for importation into the United States. The notice incorrectly identified the docket number for this petition as “Docket No. NHTSA 3021.” The docket number should have been properly identified as “Docket No. NHTSA–97–3021.” Those intending to comment on the petition should ensure that they reference the correct docket number in their comments.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(B) and (b)(1); 49 CFR 593.8; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8.

Issued on November 5, 1997.

Marilynne Jacobs,

Director, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. MC–F–20912]

Peter Pan Bus Lines, Inc.—Pooling—Greyhound Lines, Inc.

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed pooling application.

SUMMARY: Applicants, Peter Pan Bus Lines, Inc., of Springfield, MA, and Greyhound Lines, Inc., of Dallas, TX, jointly seek approval under 49 U.S.C. 14302 of an operations and revenue pooling agreement to govern their motor passenger and express transportation service between Boston, MA, and New York, NY, and between Springfield, MA, and New York, NY.

DATES: Comments are due by, December 10, 1997 and, if comments are filed, applicants' rebuttal statement is due by December 30, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Send an original and 10 copies of any comments referring to STB Docket No. MC–F–20912 to: Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423–0001. Also, send one copy of comments to each of applicants' representatives: (1) Jeremy Kahn, Suite 810, 1730 Rhode Island Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20036; (2) Fritz R. Kahn, Suite 750 West, 1100 New York Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20005–3934.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph H. Dettmar, (202) 565–1600. [TDD for the hearing impaired: (202) 565–1695.]

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Applicants are competitors on certain intercity routes between Boston, MA, and New York, NY, and between Springfield, MA, and New York, NY. They seek to pool portions of their passenger and express services over routes which they both operate, and to share the revenues derived from their operations over these routes.¹ Applicants state that their services between these points overlap and that excess schedules are operated because of the need to protect their respective market shares. According to applicants, this has resulted in unacceptably low load factors, an over-served market, and inefficient operations.

Applicants submit that the pooling agreement will allow them to reduce excess bus capacity, cement their business relationship, and allow them to share in the financial vicissitudes of the pooled-route operations. They claim public benefits that will include: (1) Rationalization of schedules, eliminating some duplicative departures “on the hour” while adding some departures on the half-hour during the busiest times of the day, resulting in more frequent bus service over a broader time period; (2) more coordinated use of terminals and ticketing agents, resulting in greater flexibility for passengers to use buses, tickets, and terminals; (3) capital improvements; and (4) continued bus service by more sound and financially stable carriers. In addition, they assert that approval of the pooling agreement will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources. In fact, they claim that the reduction in the number of schedules each carrier operates will result in a salutary effect on the environment.

¹ Applicants have already received authority to pool their operations and revenues for their motor passenger and express transportation service between Philadelphia, PA, and New York City in *Peter Pan Bus Lines, Inc.—Pooling—Greyhound Lines, Inc.*, STB Docket No. MC–F–20904 (STB served June 30, 1997). A similar request involving operations between New York City and Washington, DC is pending in *Peter Pan Bus Lines, Inc.—Pooling—Greyhound Lines, Inc.*, STB Docket No. MC–F–20908. According to applicants, the instant application is a logical extension of the New York-Philadelphia pooling and the New York-Washington pooling. Applicants state that they intend to file a fourth such application involving operations between Albany, NY, and Boston, MA shortly. Applicants state that they consider the four agreements to be interrelated and intend to implement them simultaneously after approval by the Board. We note that the United States Department of Justice, Antitrust Division, has filed comments in STB Docket No. MC–F–20908, recommending that the Board find that there is a substantial likelihood that the proposed pooling of operations between New York City and Washington would unduly restrain competition.

Applicants state that competition will not be unreasonably restrained. They argue that: (1) The pooled service is subject to substantial intermodal competitive pressure from Amtrak, airlines, and private automobiles; and (2) other motor passenger carriers may easily enter and compete in the market.

Copies of the application may be obtained free of charge by contacting applicants' representatives. A copy of this notice will be served on the Department of Justice, Antitrust Division, 10th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20530.

Decided: October 30, 1997.

By the Board, Chairman Morgan and Vice Chairman Owen.

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 Application For Amended Basic Permit Under the Federal Alcohol Administration Act.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before January 9, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Barnes, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., 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 Marsha Baker, Regulations Branch, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927–8476.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Application For Amended Basic Permit Under the Federal Alcohol Administration Act.

OMB Number: 1512-0090.

Form Number: ATF F 1643 (5100.18).

Abstract: Any person who desires to operate as a wholesaler, producer, rectifier, bottler, or warehouseman of distilled spirits or wine, or wholesaler or importer of malt beverages must obtain a basic permit in order to engage in those activities. Amendment of the basic permit becomes necessary when material changes occur in name, ownership, location, or activities of the permittee.

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: Businesses or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 4,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 4,000.

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; (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: November 3, 1997.

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 Application For License or Permit Under 18 U.S.C. Chapter 40, Explosives. **DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before January 9, 1998, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Barnes, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, 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 Gail H. Davis, Firearms, Explosives and Arson Programs Division, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8053.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Application For License or Permit Under 18 U.S.C. Chapter 40, Explosives.

OMB Number: 1512-0182.

Form Number: ATF F 5400.13/5400.16.

Abstract: Chapter 40, Title 18, U.S.C. provides that any person engaged in the business of explosive materials as a dealer, manufacturer, or importer shall be licensed. The information collected on the form is used to determine if the applicant is qualified to be a licensee or permittee under the provisions of the statute. There is no record retention requirement for the applicant.

Current Actions: The explosive regulations are proposed to be amended, therefore, ATF F 5400.13/5400.16 is proposed to be revised. The form revisions include proposals to add new codes to the categories of Explosive License and Explosives Permit. The form also reflects the proposed increase

in fees for all license and permit types. Additionally, ATF proposes to revise the form by providing a worksheet as an attachment for item 15. for use in describing all explosive storage magazine data. The categories of "race" and "sex" are proposed to be added to item 18. A section is proposed to be added to the form to require the applicant to certify that he/she has notified the chief law enforcement officer and fire marshal for all sites at which explosives will be stored. The following definitions are proposed to be added or clarified: chief law enforcement officer, fire marshal, manufacturer, and high explosives. Items 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17 of the Instruction Sheet will be amended to reflect the new attachment worksheet. There are proposed restructuring changes to the form that would reflect the proposed amendments to the explosive regulations. The frequency of applying for a license or permit is proposed to be changed from 1 year to 3 years. As a result, the burden hours and cost would decrease.

Type of Review: Revision.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit, individuals or households, not-for-profit institutions, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,100.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 3 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,436 every 3 years.

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; (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: November 3, 1997.

John W. Magaw,
Director.

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