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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement; Vigo County, Indiana

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be prepared for a proposed highway bypass of Terre Haute, Indiana designated SR 641. A Major Investment Study (MIS) will be performed in coordination with the EIS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Douglas N. Head, Program Operations Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, 575 N. Pennsylvania Street, Room 254, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204, Telephone: (317) 226-7487, Fax: 226-7341.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Indiana Department of Transportation will prepare an EIS for the proposed bypass of Terre Haute, Indiana designated SR 641 in Vigo County, Indiana. This six-mile corridor would connect US 41 south of Terre Haute with SR 46 east of Terre Haute at the interchange of SR 46 with I-70. Construction of this project is considered necessary to provide a bypass to Terre Haute and the extensive traffic congestion on US 41 in southern Terre Haute.

Alternatives under consideration include (1) taking no action; (2) applying low-cost Transportation System Management (TSM) techniques, (3) making more extensive and expensive improvements to improve traffic flow on I-70 and US 41, (4) modifying the interchange of US 41 with I-70, and (5) constructing a four-lane divided roadway on new alignment. TSM techniques include changes in signalization, minor lane additions and geometric improvements, and other relatively low cost changes that facilitate the flow of traffic. TSM techniques emphasize maximum use of existing facilities. More extensive capital improvements can also be made that expand roadway capacity, such as adding lanes to change the typical section of a road, eliminating driveway

entrances by use of frontage roads, bringing shoulder widths up to current standards and similar measures.

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 expressed interest in this proposal. No additional formal scoping is planned. Informational public meetings were held July 13, 1993 and May 4, 1995. A public hearing will be held. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the hearing. The Draft EIS will be made available for public and agency review and comment.

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

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 20.205, Highway Research, Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding inter-governmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Information Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Federal Register Pre-Clearance Notice.

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 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 Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control is soliciting comments concerning the information collection provisions of the Iraqi Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR §§ 575.202(d), 575.503, 575.506, 575.509 through 575.511, 575.517, 575.518, 575.520, 575.521, 575.601, 575.602, 575.606, 575.703, and 575.801.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before January 21, 1997 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Dorene F. Erhard, Sr. Sanctions Advisor, Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20220, (tel.: 202/622-2500). Internet Address: Dorene.Erhard@treas.sprint.com.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven I. Pinter, Chief, Licensing Division (tel.: 202/622-2480); Dennis P. Wood, Chief, Compliance Programs Division (tel.: 202/622-2490); Mrs. B.S. Scott, Chief, Penalties Program (tel.: 202/622-6140); or William B. Hoffman, Chief Counsel (tel.: 202/622-2410); Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Iraqi Sanctions Regulations.

OMB Number: 1505-0130.

Abstract: Sections 575.202(d), 575.503, 575.506, 575.509 through 575.511, 575.517, 575.518, 575.520, 575.521, 575.601, 575.602, 575.606, 575.703, and 575.801, impose information collection requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Section 505.202(d) requires that any person transferring property unknowingly and unwillfully in violation of the Regulations must file a report with the Treasury Department. Section 575.503 requires transferees of payments to blocked accounts in the name of the Government of Iraq in a U.S. financial institution to provide written notification to the Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC"). Section 575.506 requires notification by a U.S. financial institution or U.S. person transferring or receiving funds in connection with payments to persons or accounts in the United States of obligations of the Government of Iraq where there is no debit to a blocked account. Sections 575.509 through 575.511, and 575.518, establish licensing policy to authorize certain transactions which are otherwise prohibited by the Regulations.

Sections 575.520 and 575.521 establish licensing policy for the issuance of specific licenses with respect to donations of food to relieve human suffering and donations of medical supplies, pursuant to the procedures described in Section 575.801. Section 575.601 requires persons engaging in transactions subject to the Regulations to retain full and accurate records of such transactions for

at least two years. Section 575.602 requires persons engaging in transactions subject to the Regulations to furnish information relative to such transactions to OFAC on request. Section 575.606 requires that persons holding blocked property must register with OFAC within a specified time. Section 575.703 provides that persons receiving prepenalty notices from the Director of OFAC may respond in writing within 30 days. Section 575.801 provides the procedure for requesting specific authorization from OFAC for particular transactions that would otherwise be prohibited by the Regulations.

Current Actions: Extension.

Type of Review: Extension.

Affected Public: Businesses and other for-profit institutions/banking institutions/individuals.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 800 respondents.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 2 hours to process.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 1600 hours.

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 agency's functions, including whether the information has 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; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: November 12, 1996.

William B. Hoffman,

Chief Counsel, Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of the Treasury.

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