

Abstract: The 1974 U.S.-Canada Nonscheduled Air Services Agreement provides that Canadian air taxi operators that meet the criteria imposed by the Canadian and U.S. governments will be authorized to fly into the U.S. The Agreement further provides that such authorization will be considered with a minimum of procedural delay. Prior to the adoption of Part 294 Canadian air taxi operators were required to formally seek this authorization by a somewhat lengthy process. The Airline Deregulation Act of 1978 expanded the Department of Transportation's exemption powers to include foreign air carriers. Part 294 was adopted to provide a simpler method of obtaining Department approval and Form 4505 was developed to request only the information necessary to ensure that applicant Canadian operators meet the U.S. requirements for operating authority. Approval of this authority also exempts Canadian charter air taxi operators from certain provisions of Subtitle VII of Title 49 of the United States Code (Transportation).

Collection of this information is necessary to determine whether or not a Canadian air taxi meets the U.S. criteria for an operating authorization.

Respondents: Small Canadian air carriers operating aircraft with 60 seats or less or 18,000 pounds payload or less.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 27.

Average Annual Burden per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden on Respondents: 14 hours.

This information collection is available for inspection at the Special Authorities Division (X-57), Office of Aviation Analysis, DOT, at the address above. Copies of 14 CFR Part 294 can be obtained from Ms. Ronale Taylor at the address and telephone number shown above.

Comments are Invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (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 the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

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John V. Coleman,

Office of Aviation Analysis.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Notice of Request for Extension and Revision of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended) this notice announces the Department of Transportation's (DOT) intention to request a reinstatement without change of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by November 9, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the Special Authorities Division (X-57), Office of Aviation Analysis, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Ronale Taylor or Mr. Charles McGuire, Office of the Secretary, Office of Aviation Analysis, X-57, Department of Transportation, at the address above. Telephone: (202) 366-1037/9539.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Foreign Air Freight Forwarders and Foreign Cooperative Shippers Associations.

OMB Control Number: 2106-0036.

Expiration Date: May 1997.

Type of Request: Reinstatement without change of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Abstract: Title 14 CFR Part 297 (sec. 297.10) grants foreign indirect air carriers an exemption from certain provisions of Subtitle VII of Title 49 of the United States Code (Transportation) in order that they may consolidate air freight shipments in the U.S. for further transportation on direct air carrier flights. One of the requirements of Part 297 is that the carriers apply for and receive an approved registration from the Department before operating (sec. 297.20). The registration information required makes it possible for the Department to consider the grant or denial of access to U.S. markets by

foreign-owned companies based on the availability of reciprocal privileges for U.S. carriers abroad. Without this requirement, the Department could not protect the competitive and financial interests of U.S. carriers. The form used for these collections is simplified and requests only basic information about the carriers ownership and management.

Respondents: Foreign indirect air carriers.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 15.

Average Annual Burden per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden on Respondents: 8 hours.

This information collection is available for inspection at the Special Authorities Division (X-57), Office of Aviation Analysis, DOT, at the address above. Copies of 14 CFR Part 297 can be obtained from Ms. Ronale Taylor at the address and telephone number shown above.

Comments are Invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (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 the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Issued in Washington, DC on October 6, 1997.

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Office of Aviation Analysis.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Reports, Forms, and Recordkeeping Requirements: Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act 1995 (44 USC Chapter 35), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to

the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on July 31, 1997 [62 41127].

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 10, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Erhard W. Koehler, 202/366-2631 or FAX 202/366-3954, Division of Ship Maintenance and Repair, Maritime Administration, MAR-611, Room 2119, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Maritime Administration

Title: Maintenance and Repair Cumulative Summary.

OMB Number: 2133-0007.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Subsidized ship operators.

Abstract: The collection consists of form MA-140 to which are attached invoices and other supporting documents for expenses claimed for subsidy. Subsidized operators submit form MA-140 to the appropriate MARAD region office for review within 60 days of the termination of a subsidized voyage.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 1,200.

Number of Respondents: 4.

Needs and Users: The collected information is necessary to perform the reviews required in order to permit payment of Maintenance and Repair subsidy.

Address: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention DOT Desk Officer. Comments are invited on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 3, 1997.

Vanester M. Williams,

Clearance Officer, United States Department of Transportation.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements; Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act 1995 (44 USC Chapter 35), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on April 18, 1997 [62 FR 19160].

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 10, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Claretta Duren, (202) 366-4636, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

Title: Statement of Materials and Labor used by Contractor on Highway Construction Involving Federal Funds.

OMB Number: 2125-0033.

Type of Request: Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Affected Public: Contractors.

Abstract: The form "FHWA-47 "Statement of Materials and Labor Used by Contractors on Highway Construction Involving Federal Funds" is needed in order to obtain information on the usage of materials and labor in highway construction. Title 29 U.S.C. 2 authorizes the Department of Labor to collect the labor-related information using its own forces or by getting the information from other Federal agencies. An informal agreement has been reached for FHWA to collect the desired data for the Department of Labor. This information is used by

FHWA for estimating current material usage and cost distribution on Federal-aid highway construction contracts to aid in planning for future requirements based on anticipated program levels. There is also considerable interest by industry, particularly suppliers of highway construction materials, for the usage information derived from the FHWA-47 forms. This data is collected from contracts of \$1,000,000 or more on the National Highway System and is not considered confidential. The respondent must submit the FHWA-47 form after the project has been completed.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 7,475.

Number of Respondents: 650.

Address: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention DOT Desk Officer.

Comments are invited on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements Filed During the Week Ending October 3, 1997

The following Agreements were filed with the Department of Transportation under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 412 and 414. Answers may be filed within 21 days of date of filing.

Docket Number: OST-97-2964

Date Filed: October 2, 1997

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association

Subject:

PTC23 EUR-SEA 0040 dated

September 30, 1997 r1-6

PTC23 EUR-SEA 0041 dated

September 30, 1997 r7

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