

expansion of the Irbid Qualifying Industrial Zone, as specified in maps accompanying that agreement. The expanded Irbid Qualifying Industrial Zone, like the original Irbid Qualifying Industrial Zone, encompasses areas under the customs control of the respective Governments. In addition, the Government of Israel and the Government of Jordan agreed that merchandise may enter the expanded Irbid Qualifying Industrial Zone without payment of duty or excise taxes. The expanded Irbid Qualifying Industrial Zone accordingly meets the criteria under paragraphs 9(e) (1) and (2) of the FTA Act.

Pursuant to the authority delegated by the President in Proclamation 6955, the United States Trade Representative hereby designates the Gateway Projects Industrial Zone and the expanded Irbid Qualifying Industrial Zone as qualifying industrial zones under section 9 of the FTA Act, effective upon the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: March 15, 1999.

Charlene Barshefsky,

United States Trade Representative.

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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 and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection (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 December 7, 1998, (63 FR 67504).

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 19, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Judith Street, ABC-100; Federal Aviation Administration; 800 Independence Avenue, SW.; Washington, DC 20591; Telephone number (202) 267-9895.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

Title: Simulator Rule/14 CFR part 142, Certificated Training Centers.

OMB Control Number: 2120-0570.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Approximately 50 Businesses.

Abstract: To determine compliance, there is a need for airmen to maintain records of certain training and regency of experience. There is a need for training centers to maintain records of students trained, employee qualification and training, and training program approvals. Information is used to determine compliance with airmen certification and testing to ensure safety.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 6,000.

Addressee: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention FAA 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. A comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Issued in Washington, DC on March 15, 1999.

Vanester M. Williams,

Clearance Officer, 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 and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44

U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection (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 January 4, 1999, [64 FR 203].

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 19, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rebecca M. Boyd, Office of Financial Approvals, Maritime Administration, MAR-580, Room 8114, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, D.C. 20590. Telephone 202-366-5870 or FAX 202-366-7901. Copies of this collection can also be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Maritime Administration (MARAD)

Title: Uniform Financial Reporting Requirements.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0005.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Vessel owners acquiring ships from MARAD on credit, companies chartering ships from MARAD, and companies having Title XI guarantee obligations.

Form(s): MA-172.

Abstract: The Uniform Financial Reporting Requirements are used as a basis for preparing and filing semiannual and annual financial statements with the Maritime Administration. Regulations requiring financial reports to the Maritime Administration are authorized by section 21, Shipping Act, 1916, as amended, and section 801, Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended. The collected information is necessary for MARAD to determine compliance with regulatory and contractual requirements.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 2,090

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

A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

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Vanester M. Williams,
Clearance Officer, Department of
Transportation.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Approval of Noise Compatibility Program Revision; Naples Municipal Airport, Naples, FL

AGENCY: Federal Aviation
Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces its findings on the noise compatibility program revision submitted by the City of Naples under the provisions of Title I of the Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act of 1979 (Pub. L. 96-193) and 14 CFR part 150. These findings are made in recognition of the description of Federal and nonfederal responsibilities in Senate Report No. 96-52 (1980). On September 3, 1998, the FAA determined that the noise exposure maps submitted by the City of Naples under part 150 were in compliance with applicable requirements. On March 2, 1999, the Administrator approved a revision to the Naples Municipal Airport noise compatibility program. The program measure in this revision was fully approved.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The effective date of the FAA's approval of the Naples Municipal Airport noise compatibility program revision is March 2, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Tommy J. Pickering, P.E., Federal Aviation Administration, Orlando Airports District Office, 5950 Hazeltine National Drive, Suite 400, Orlando, Florida 32822, (407) 812-6331, Extension 29. Documents reflecting this AFF action may be reviewed at this same location.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice announces that the FAA has given its overall approval to the noise compatibility program revision for

Naples Municipal Airport, effective March 2, 1999.

Under section 104(a) of the Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act of 1979 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), an airport operator who has previously submitted a noise exposure may submit to as the FAA a noise compatibility program which sets forth the measures taken or proposed by the airport operator for the reduction of existing noncompatible land uses and prevention of additional noncompatible land uses within the area covered by the noise exposure maps. The Act requires such programs to be developed in consultation with interested and affected parties including local communities, government agencies, airport users, and FAA personnel.

Each airport noise compatibility program developed in accordance with Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) part 150 is a local program, not a Federal program. The AFF does not substitute its judgment for that of the airport proprietor with respect to which measure should be recommended for action. The FAA's approval or disapproval of FAR part 150 program recommendations is measured according to the standards expressed in part 150 and the Act, and is limited to the following determinations:

a. The noise compatibility program was developed in accordance with the provisions and procedures of FAR part 150;

b. Program measures are reasonably consistent with achieving the goals of reducing existing noncompatible land uses around the airport and preventing the introduction of additional noncompatible land uses;

c. Program measures would not create an undue burden on interstate or foreign commerce, unjustly discriminate against types or classes of aeronautical users, violate the terms of airport grant agreements, or intrude into areas preempted by the Federal government; and

d. Program measures relating to the use of flight procedures can be implemented within the period covered by the program without derogating safety, adversely affecting the efficient use and management of the navigable airspace and air traffic control systems, or adversely affecting other powers and responsibilities of the Administrator prescribed by law.

Specific limitations with respect to FAA's approval of an airport noise compatibility program are delineated in FAR part 150, § 150.5. Approval is not a determination concerning the acceptability of land uses under Federal, state, or local law. Approval does not by

itself constitute an FAA implementing action. A request for Federal action or approval to implement specific noise compatibility measures may be required, and an AFF decision on the request may require an environmental assessment of the proposed action. Approval does not constitute a commitment by the FAA to financially assist in the implementation of the program nor a determination that all measures covered by the program are eligible for grant-in-aid funding from the FAA. Where Federal funding is sought, requests for project grants must be submitted to the FAA Airports District Office in Orlando, Florida.

The City of Naples submitted to the FAA on March 6, 1998, revised noise exposure maps, descriptions, and other documentation produced during the noise compatibility planning study update conducted from October 23, 1997 through February 27, 1998. The Naples Municipal Airport revised noise exposure maps were determined by FAA to be in compliance with applicable requirements on September 3, 1998. Notice of this determination was published in the **Federal Register**.

The Naples Municipal Airport study contains a proposed noise compatibility program revision comprised of an action designed for implementation by airport management between the date of approval and the year 2003. It was requested that FAA evaluate and approve this material as a noise compatibility program revision as described in section 104(b) of the Act. The FAA began its review of the program revision on September 3, 1998, and we required by a provision of the Act to approve or disapprove the program within 180-days (other than the use of new flight procedures for noise control). Failure to approve or disapprove such program within the 180-day period shall be deemed to be an approval of such program.

The submitted program revision contained one (1) proposed action for noise mitigation on and off the airport. The FAA completed its review and determined that the procedural and substantive requirements of the Act and FAR part 150 have been satisfied. The overall program revision, therefore, was approved by the Administrator effective March 2, 1999.

Out right approval was granted for the one (1) specific program measure. The approval action was for the following program control: