

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* This collection of information will provide basic information relating to the defective or noncompliant tires that was sold or leased, such as the identities of both the seller and purchaser of a defective or noncompliant tire and a description of the tire, inform purchasers of these tires to the existence of the defect or noncompliance, and/or facilitate providing a remedy to the purchasers.

*Affected Public:* Foreign manufacturers of motor vehicles and motor vehicle equipment located outside of the United States, which are importing these items into the United States.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 4.5.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments, within 30 days, to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention NHTSA 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 Departments 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, D.C.

**Herman L. Simms,**

*Associate Administrator for Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Research and Special Programs Administration

#### Office of Hazardous Materials Safety; Notice of Delays in Processing of Exemption Applications

**AGENCY:** Research and Special Program Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** List of Applications Delayed more than 180 days.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5117(c), RSPA is publishing the following list of exemption applications that have been in process for 180 days or more. The

reason(s) for delay and the expected completion date for action on each application is provided in association with each identified application.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** J. Suzanne Hedgepeth, Director, Office of Hazardous Materials, Exemptions and Approvals, Research and Special Programs Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590-0001, (202) 366-4535.

Key to "Reasons for Delay"

1. Awaiting additional information from applicant.

2. Extensive public comment under review.

3. Application is technically complex and is of significant impact or precedent-setting and requires extensive analysis.

4. Staff review delayed by other priority issues or volume of exemption applications.

Meaning of Applicants Number Suffixes

N—New application

M—Modification request

PM—Party to application with modification request

Issued in Washington, DC, on May 24, 2001.

**J. Suzanne Hedgepeth,**

*Director, Office of Hazardous Materials Exemptions and Approvals.*

Application number	Applicant	Reason for delay	Estimated date of completion
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#### NEW EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS

11862-N	The BOC Group, Murray Hill, NJ	4	6/29/2001
11927-N	Alaska Marine Lines, Inc., Seattle, WA	4	6/29/2001
12158-N	Hickson Corporation, Conley, GA	4	6/29/2001
12248-N	Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp, High Point, NC	1, 4	6/29/2001
12290-N	Savage Industries, Inc., Pottstown, PA	4	6/29/2001
12339-N	BOC Gases, Murray Hill, NJ	4	6/29/2001
12353-N	Monson Companies, South Portland, ME	4	6/29/2001
12355-N	Union Tank Car Company, East Chicago, IN	4	6/29/2001
12381-N	Ideal Chemical & Supply Co., Memphis, TN	4	6/29/2001
12406-N	Occidental Chemical Corporation, Dallas, TX	4	6/29/2001
12412-N	Great Western Chemical Company, Portland, OR	4	6/29/2001
12422-N	Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Co., East Hampton, CT	1, 4	6/29/2001
12434-N	Salmon Air, Salmon, ID	4	6/29/2001
12440-N	Luxfer Inc., Riverside, CA	4	7/31/2001
12454-N	Ethyl Corp., Richmond, VA	4	7/31/2001
12456-N	Baker Hughes, Houston, TX	4	7/31/2001
12497-N	Henderson International Technologies, Inc., Richardson, TX	4	7/31/2001
12516-N	Poly-Coat Systems, Inc., Houston, TX	4	6/29/2001
12566-N	General Atomics, San Diego, CA	4	7/31/2001
12571-N	Air Products & Chemicals, Inc., Allentown, PA	4	7/31/2001
12574-N	Weldship Corporation, Bethlehem, PA	4	7/31/2001
12586-N	Wilsonart International Inc., Temple, TX	4	7/31/2001
12587-N	Georgia-Pacific Corp., Crossett, AR	4	7/31/2001
12588-N	El Dorado Chemical Co., Creve Ceour, MO	4	7/31/2001
12590-N	US Airways, Pittsburgh, PA	4	7/31/2001
12591-N	SGL Carbon, LLC, Morgantown, NC	1	6/29/2001
12592-N	Matson Navigation Co., San Francisco, CA	4	7/31/2001
12605-N	Ashland, Inc., Dublin, OH	4	7/31/2001
12646-N	Consani Engineering, Elsie River, SA	4	7/31/2001

Application number	Applicant	Reason for delay	Estimated date of completion
<b>MODIFICATIONS TO EXEMPTIONS</b>			
7060-M .....	Federal Express, Memphis, TN .....	4 .....	6/29/2001
8086-M .....	The Boeing Co (Mil Aircraft & Missiles Sys Group), Seattle, WA .....	4 .....	6/29/2001
8308-M .....	Tradewind Enterprises, Inc., Hillsboro, OR .....	4 .....	6/29/2001
8554-M .....	Orica USA, Inc., Englewood, CO .....	4 .....	6/29/2001
9758-M .....	The Coleman Company, Inc., Wichita, KS .....	4 .....	7/31/2001
10656-M .....	Conf. of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc., Frankfort, KY .....	4 .....	7/31/2001
10915-M .....	Luxfer Gas Cylinders (Composite Cylinder Div), Riverside, CA .....	4 .....	6/29/2001
11202-M .....	Newport News Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Co, Newport News, VA .....	4 .....	7/31/2001
11316-M .....	TRW Automotive, Queen Creek, AZ .....	4 .....	6/29/2001
11526-M .....	BOC Gases, Murray Hill, NJ .....	4 .....	6/29/2001
11537-M .....	JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc., Milford, VA .....	4 .....	6/29/2001
11769-M .....	Great Western Chemical Company, Portland, OR .....	4 .....	6/29/2001
11769-M .....	Great Western Chemical Company, Portland, OR .....	4 .....	6/29/2001
11769-M .....	Hydrite Chemical Company, Brookfield, WI .....	4 .....	6/29/2001
11798-M .....	Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., Allentown, PA .....	4 .....	6/29/2001
11798-M .....	Anderson Development Company, Adrian, MI .....	4 .....	7/31/2001
11911-M .....	Transfer Flow, Inc., Chico, CA .....	4 .....	7/31/2001
12022-M .....	Taylor-Wharton (Harsco Gas & Fluid Control Group), Harrisburg, PA .....	4 .....	7/31/2001
12102-M .....	Onyx Environmental Services, L.L.C., Ledgewood, NJ .....	4 .....	7/31/2001
12178-M .....	STC Technologies, Inc., Bethlehem, PA .....	1 .....	6/29/2001
12581-M .....	Nat'l Aero & Space Admn (NASA), Goddard Space Ctr., Greenbelt, MD .....	4 .....	7/31/2001

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0260]

### Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the need to obtain written consent from a patient to disclose his or her medical record to private insurance companies, physicians and other third party.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before August 3, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information to Ann Bickoff, Veterans Health Administration (193B1), Department of Veterans Affairs,

810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail

[ann.bickoff@mail.va.gov](mailto:ann.bickoff@mail.va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0260" in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ann Bickoff at (202) 273-8310.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C., 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VHA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VHA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VHA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

**Title:** Request for and Consent to Release of Medical Records Protected by 38 U.S.C. 7332, VA Form 10-5345.

**OMB Control Number:** 2900-0260.

**Type of Review:** Extension of a currently approved collection.

**Abstract:** VA Form 10-5345 is used to obtain prior written consent from a patient before information concerning

treatment for alcoholism or alcohol abuse, drug abuse, sickle cell anemia, or infection with the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) can be disclosed from his or her medical record. This special consent must indicate the name of the facility permitted to make the disclosure, name of the individual or organization to whom the information is being released, specify the particular records or information to be released, and be under the signature of the veteran. It must reflect the purpose the information is to be used, and include a statement that the consent is subject to revocation and the date, event or condition upon which the consent will expire if not revoked before.

VA personnel complete 50 percent of the form and the patient completes the remaining 50 percent. If VA did not collect this information, the information could not be released from the patients records. This would have a negative impact on patients who need and want information released to private insurance companies, physicians and other third parties.

**Affected Public:** Business or other for profit and Individuals or households.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden:** 10,867 hours.

**Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:** 2 minutes.

**Frequency of Response:** On occasion.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 326,000.

Dated: May 23, 2001.