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**Docket:** For access to the docket to read background documents and comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time. Background documents and comments received may also be viewed at the U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Docket Operations, M-30, West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. David Schneider, FTA Office of Program Management (202) 493-017, or e-mail: [David.Schneider@dot.gov](mailto:David.Schneider@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Interested parties are invited to send comments regarding any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) The necessity and utility of the information collection for the proper performance of the functions of the FTA; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways to minimize the collection burden without reducing the quality of the collected information. Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection.

**Title:** 49 U.S.C. Section 5316—Job Access and Reverse Commute Program (OMB Number: 2132-0563).

**Background:** 49 U.S.C. 5316, the Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) Program, authorizes the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to states for areas with a population of less than 200,000 and designated recipients in urbanized areas of 200,000 persons or greater to transport welfare recipients and other low-income individuals to and from jobs and activities related to employment. Grant recipients are required to make information available to the public and to publish a program of projects which identifies the subrecipients and projects for which the State or designated recipient is applying for financial assistance. FTA uses the information to determine eligibility for funding and to monitor the grantees' progress in implementing and completing project activities. FTA collects performance information annually from designated recipients in rural areas, small urbanized areas, other direct recipients for small urbanized areas, and designated recipients in

urbanized areas of 200,000 persons or greater. FTA collects milestone and financial status reports from designated recipients in large urbanized areas on a quarterly basis. The information submitted ensures FTA's compliance with applicable federal laws and OMB Circular A-102.

**Respondents:** State and local government, private non-profit organizations and public transportation authorities.

**Estimated Annual Burden on Respondents:** 251 hours for each of the 206 respondents.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden:** 122,374 hours.

**Frequency:** Annual.

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**Ann M. Linnertz,**

*Associate Administrator for Administration.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Transit Administration

[FTA Docket No. FTA-2008-0041]

#### Agency Information Collection Activity under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to extend the following currently approved information collection: Rail Fixed Guideway Systems, State Safety Oversight. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments was published on June 23, 2008. No comments were received in response to that notice.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted before October 14, 2008. A comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** LaStar Matthews, Office of Administration, Office of Management Planning, (202) 366-2295 or e-mail: [LaStar.Matthews@dot.gov](mailto:LaStar.Matthews@dot.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** Rail Fixed Guideway Systems, State Safety Oversight.

**OMB Number:** 2132-0558.

**Abstract:** 49 U.S.C. 5330 requires States to designate a State Safety Oversight (SSO) agency to oversee the safety and security of each rail transit

agency within the State's jurisdiction. To comply with Section 5330, SSO agencies must develop program standards which meet FTA's minimum requirements. In the Program Standard, which must be approved by FTA, each SSO agency must require each rail transit agency in the State's jurisdiction to prepare and implement a System Safety Program Plan (SSPP) and System Security Plan (SSP). The SSO agency also requires the rail transit agencies in its jurisdiction to conduct specific activities, such as accident investigation, implementation of a hazard management program, and the management of an internal safety and security audit process. SSO agencies review and approve the SSPPs and SSPs of the rail transit agencies. Once every three years, States conduct an on-site review of the rail transit agencies in their jurisdictions to assess SSPP/SSP implementation and to determine whether these plans are effective and if they need to be updated. SSO agencies develop final reports documenting the findings from these on-site reviews and require corrective actions. SSO agencies also review and approve accident investigation reports, participate in the rail transit agency's hazard management program, and oversee implementation of the rail transit agency's internal safety and security audit process. SSO agencies review and approve corrective action plans and track and monitor rail transit agency activities to implement them.

Collection of this information enables each SSO agency to monitor each rail transit agency's implementation of the State's requirements as specified in the Program Standard approved by FTA. Without this information, States would not be able to oversee the rail transit agencies in their jurisdictions. Recent recommendations from the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) and the Government Accountability Office (GAO) have encouraged States and rail transit agencies to devote additional resources to these safety activities and safety oversight in general.

SSO agencies also submit an annual certification to FTA that the State is in compliance with Section 5330 and an annual report documenting the State's safety and security oversight activities. FTA uses the annual information submitted by the States to monitor implementation of the program. If a State fails to comply with Section 5330, FTA may withhold up to five percent of the funds appropriated for use in a State or urbanized area in the State under section 5307. The information submitted by the States ensures FTA's compliance with applicable federal

laws, OMB Circular A-102, and 49 CFR Part 18, "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements with State and Local Governments."

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 142,393 hours.

**ADDRESSES:** All written comments must refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document and be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: FTA 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

### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[NHTSA Docket No. NHTSA-2008-0147]

### National Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (NEMSAC); Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**SUMMARY:** The NHTSA announces a meeting of NEMSAC to be held in the Metropolitan Washington, DC area. This notice announces the date, time and location of the meeting, which will be open to the public. The purpose of NEMSAC is to provide a nationally recognized council of emergency medical services representatives and consumers to provide advice and recommendations regarding Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to the U.S. DOT's NHTSA.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on October 2, 2008, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and October 3, 2008, from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. A public comment period will take

place on October 3, 2008, between 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

*Comment Date:* Written comments or requests to make oral presentations must be received by September 25, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Marriott Crystal City at Reagan National Airport, 1999 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202. Persons wishing to make an oral presentation or who are unable to attend or speak at the meeting may submit written comments. Written comments and requests to make oral presentations at the meeting should reach Drew Dawson at the address listed below and must be received by September 25, 2008. All submissions received must include the docket number, NHTSA-2008-0147 and may be submitted by any one of the following methods: You may submit or retrieve comments online through the Document Management System (DMS) at <http://www.regulations.gov/> under the docket number listed at the beginning of this notice. The DMS is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. Electronic submission and retrieval help guidelines are available under the help section of the Web site.

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded from the **Federal Register's** home page at <http://www.archives.gov> and the Government Printing Office's database at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara>.

Please note that even after the comment closing date, we will continue to file relevant information in the docket as it becomes available.

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#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 1 *et seq.*) The NEMSAC will be holding its third meeting on Thursday and Friday, October 2 and 3, 2008, at the Marriott Crystal City at Reagan National Airport, 1999 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

#### Agenda of Council Meeting, October 2-3, 2008

The tentative agenda includes the following:

*Thursday, October 2, 2008*

- (1) Opening Remarks;
- (2) Introduction of Members and all in attendance;
- (3) Review and Approval of Minutes of last meeting;
- (4) Committee Reports and Discussion of Recommendations.

*Friday, October 3, 2008*

- (1) Welcome and Introductions;
- (2) Unfinished Business from October 2nd;
- (3) Federal Interagency Committee on Emergency Medical Services Report;
- (4) Report on "From Evidence to EMS Practice" Conference;
- (5) Public comment period;
- (6) Next steps and future meetings.

A public comment period will take place on October 3, 2008, between 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

*Public Attendance:* The meeting is open to the public. Persons with disabilities who require special assistance should advise Drew Dawson of their anticipated special needs as early as possible. Members of the public who wish to make comments on Friday, October 3 between 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. are requested to register in advance. In order to allow as many people as possible to speak, speakers are requested to limit their remarks to 3 minutes. For those wishing to submit written comments, please follow the procedure noted above.

This meeting will be open to the public. Individuals wishing to register must provide their name, affiliation, phone number, and e-mail address to Drew Dawson by e-mail at [drew.dawson@dot.gov](mailto:drew.dawson@dot.gov) or by telephone at (202) 366-9966 no later than September 25, 2008. There will be limited seating, so please register early. Pre-registration is necessary to enable proper arrangements.

Minutes of the NEMSAC Meeting will be available to the public online through the DOT Document Management System (DMS) at: <http://www.regulations.gov> under the docket number listed at the beginning of this notice.

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**Jeffrey P. Michael,**

*Acting Associate Administrator for Research and Program Development.*

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