

DEPARTMENT OF STATE**[Public Notice 6721]****Termination of Ineligible Status and Statutory Debarment Pursuant to Section 38(g)(4) of the Arms Export Control Act and Section 127.7 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations for Electro-Glass Products, Inc.****ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Department of State has terminated the ineligible status and statutory debarment of Electro-Glass Products, Inc., pursuant to section 38(g)(4) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA) (22 U.S.C. 2778) and section 127.7 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR).

DATES: *Effective Date:* June 9, 2009.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Daniel J. Buzby, Acting Director, Office of Defense Trade Controls Compliance, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State (202) 663-2812.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 38(g)(4) of the AECA and section 127.11 of the ITAR prohibit the issuance of export licenses or other approvals to a person if that person, or any party to the export, has been convicted of violating the AECA and certain other U.S. criminal statutes enumerated at section 38(g)(1) of the AECA and section 120.27 of the ITAR. Such individuals are considered ineligible in accordance with section 120.1 of the ITAR. Also, a person convicted of violating the AECA is subject to statutory debarment under section 127.7 of the ITAR.

In July 2007, Electro-Glass Products, Inc. was convicted of violating the AECA (U.S. District Court, District of Pennsylvania, Case # 06-00117-001). Based on this conviction, Electro-Glass Products, Inc., was ineligible in accordance with section 120.1 of the ITAR and was statutorily debarred pursuant to section 127.7 of the ITAR. Electro-Glass Products, Inc. was thus prohibited from participating directly or indirectly in exports of defense articles and defense services. Notice of debarment was published in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 51885, September 11, 2007).

In accordance with section 38(g)(4) of the AECA and section 127.7 of the ITAR, the ineligible status and statutory debarment may be terminated after consultation with other appropriate U.S. agencies, after a thorough review of the circumstances surrounding the conviction, and a finding that

appropriate steps have been taken to mitigate any law enforcement concerns. The Department of State has reviewed the circumstances and consulted with other appropriate U.S. agencies, and has determined that Electro-Glass Products, Inc., has taken appropriate steps to address the causes of the violations and to mitigate any law enforcement concerns. Therefore, in accordance with section 38(g)(4) of the AECA and section 127.7 of the ITAR, Electro-Glass Products, Inc. is no longer ineligible and the statutory debarment is rescinded, effective June 9, 2009.

Dated: July 27, 2009.

Andrew J. Shapiro

Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State.

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BILLING CODE 4710-25-P**DEPARTMENT OF STATE****[Public Notice 6722]****Waiver of Restriction on Assistance to Bolivia, Dominica, the Dominican Republic, Nicaragua, and St. Vincent and the Grenadines**

Pursuant to section 7088(c)(2) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2009 (Division H, Pub. L. 111-8) ("the Act"), and Department of State Delegation of Authority Number 245-1, I hereby determine that it is important to the national interest of the United States to waive the requirements of section 7088(c)(1) of the Act with respect to Bolivia, Dominica, the Dominican Republic, Nicaragua, and St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and I hereby waive such restriction.

This determination shall be reported to the Congress, and published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: July 14, 2009.

Jacob J. Lew,

Deputy Secretary of State For Management and Resources, Department of State.

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BILLING CODE 4710-29-P**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Transit Administration****[FTA Docket No. FTA-2009-0038]****Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review**

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Transit Administration invites public comment about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval to renew the following information collection: 49 CFR Part 611 Major Capital Investment Projects (OMB Number: 2132-0561). The information to be collected for this program is to evaluate proposed New and Small Starts projects. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments was published on April 27, 2009.

DATES: Comments must be submitted before September 8, 2009. A comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sylvia L. Marion, Office of Administration, Office of Management Planning, (202) 366-6680.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 49 CFR Part 611 Major Capital Investment Projects.

Abstract: On August 10, 2005, the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) was enacted. Sections 3011(d)(5) and 3011(e)(6) of SAFETEA-LU require FTA to issue regulations on the manner in which candidate projects for major capital investment grants for new fixed guideway systems, extensions to existing fixed guideway systems, or significant corridor based bus investments ("New Starts," "Small Starts," respectively) will be evaluated and rated for purposes of the FTA Capital Investment Grants program for New and Small Starts under 49 USC Section 5309. An Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) for this regulation was issued on January 30, 2006 (71 FR 22841). A Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) was issued on August 3, 2007 (72 FR 43328). The NPRM was withdrawn on February 17, 2009, due to an intervening statutory change resulting from the passage of the SAFETEA-LU Technical Corrections Act in June 2008.

FTA has a longstanding requirement to evaluate proposed projects against a prescribed set of statutory criteria. The Surface Transportation and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act of 1987 (STURAA) established in law a set of criteria that proposed projects had to meet in order to be eligible for federal funding. The requirement for summary project ratings has been in place since 1998. Thus, the requirements for project evaluation and data collection for New Starts projects are not new, nor have

they changed extensively since their inception. One addition included in SAFETEA-LU is the Small Starts program. The Small Starts program enables projects with a lesser total capital cost and smaller requested share of New Starts funds to progress through a simplified and streamlined project evaluation and data collection process. In general, though, the information used by FTA for New and Small Starts project evaluation and rating purposes should arise as a part of the normal planning process.

FTA has been collecting project evaluation information from project sponsors under the existing OMB approval for this program (OMB No. 2132-0561). However, due to modifications in project evaluation criteria for the New Starts program and the addition of the Small Starts program, it became apparent that some information required might be beyond the scope of ordinary planning activities.

SAFETEA-LU created additional requirements for before-and-after data collection for purposes of Government Performance and Results Act reporting as a condition of obtaining a Full Funding Grant Agreement (FFGA) or a Project Construction Grant Agreement (PCGA).

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 38,760 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.

Issued: July 31, 2009.

Ann M. Linnertz.

Associate Administrator for Administration.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

[FTA Docket No. FTA-2009-0037]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Transit Administration invites public comment about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval to renew the following information collection: Metropolitan and Statewide Transportation Planning (OMB Number: 2132-0529). The information to be collected for this program is to evaluate proposed New and Small Starts projects. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments was published on April 27, 2009.

DATES: Comments must be submitted before September 8, 2009. 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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Metropolitan and Statewide Transportation Planning.

Abstract: The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) jointly carry out the federal mandate to improve urban and rural transportation. 49 U.S.C. Sections 5303 and 5304 and 23 U.S.C. 134 and 135 authorize the use of federal funds to assist Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), States, and local public bodies in developing transportation plans and programs to serve the transportation needs of urbanized areas over 50,000 in population and other areas of States outside of urbanized areas. The information collection activities involved in developing the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, the Long Range Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan, the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) are necessary to identify and evaluate the transportation issues and needs in each urbanized area and throughout every state. These products of the transportation planning process are essential elements in the reasonable planning and programming of federally funded transportation investments.

In addition to serving as management tools for MPOs and State DOTs, the UPWP and State Planning and Research (SP&R) Work Program are used by both FTA and FHWA to monitor the transportation planning activities of those agencies. It is also needed to establish national out year budgets and regional program plans, develop policy on using funds, monitor State and local compliance with national technical emphasis areas, respond to Congressional inquiries, prepare Congressional testimony, and ensure efficiency in the use and expenditure of federal funds by determining that planning proposals are both reasonable and cost-effective. 49 U.S.C. Section 5303 and 23 U.S.C.134(h) require the development of TIPs for urbanized areas; STIPs are mandated by 49 U.S.C. Section 5304 and 23 U.S.C. 235(f) for an entire State. After approval by the Governor and MPO, metropolitan TIPs in attainment areas are to be incorporated directly into the STIP. For nonattainment areas, FTA/FHWA must make a conformity finding on the TIPs before including them into the STIP. The complete STIP is then jointly reviewed and approved or disapproved by FTA and FHWA. These conformity findings and approval actions constitute the determination that States are complying with the requirements of 23 U.S.C. 235 and 49 U.S.C. Section 5304 as a condition of eligibility for federal-aid funding. Without these documents, approvals and findings, capital and/or operating assistance cannot be provided.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 38,760 hours.

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