

Below are brief summaries of the three currently approved information collection activities that FRA will submit for clearance by OMB as required under the PRA:

*Title:* Inspection Brake System Safety Standards For Freight and Other Non-Passenger Trains and Equipment (Power Brakes and Drawbars).

*OMB Control Number:* 2130-0008.

*Abstract:* Section 7 of the Rail Safety Enforcement and Review Act of 1992, Public Law No. 102-365, amended Section 202 of the Federal Railroad Safety Act of 1970 (45 U.S.C. 421, 431 *et seq.*), empowered the Secretary of Transportation to conduct a review of

the Department's rules with respect to railroad power brakes and, where applicable, prescribe standards regarding dynamic brake equipment. In keeping with the Secretary's mandate and the authority delegated from him to the FRA Administrator, FRA recently published a comprehensive regulatory revision of the then current requirements related to the inspection, testing, and maintenance of the brake equipment used in freight car operations. The Final Rule focused solely on freight and other non-passenger trains, and codified and solidified the maintenance requirements related to the power brake system and

its components. The collection of information is used by FRA to monitor and enforce safety requirements related to power brakes on freight cars. The collection of information is also used by locomotive engineers and road crews to verify that the terminal air brake test has been performed in a satisfactory manner.

*Form Number(s):* None.

*Affected Public:* Businesses.

*Respondent Universe:* 545 railroads.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Businesses.

*Reporting Burden:*

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours	Total annual burden cost
229.27—Annual Tests .....	20,000 locomotives	18,000 tests .....	15 minutes .....	4,500	\$166,500
232.1—Scope—Requests For Earlier Application of Requirements in Subparts A–C, F.	545 railroads .....	4 requests .....	1 hour .....	4	224
232.3—Applicability—Cars Not Used in Service.	545 railroads .....	8 cards .....	10 minutes .....	1	35
232.7—Waivers .....	545 railroads .....	20 petitions .....	40 hours .....	800	28,000
232.11—Penalties .....	545 railroads .....	1 false record .....	10 minutes .....	.20	7
232.15—Movement of Defective Equipment.	1,620,000 cars/locomotives.	128,400 tags .....	2.5 minutes .....	5,350	197,950
—Notice of Defective Car/ Locomotive and Restrictions.	1,620,000 cars/locomotives.	25,000 notices .....	3 minutes .....	1,060	46,250
232.17—Special Approval Procedure.	545 railroads .....	4 petitions .....	100 hours .....	400	22,400
—Petitions For Special Approval of Pre-Revenue Service Acceptance Testing Plan.	545 railroads .....	2 petitions .....	100 hours .....	200	11,200
—Copies of Petitions For Special Approval Procedure.	545 railroads .....	4 petitions .....	40 hours .....	160	5,600
—Statements of Interest .....	Public/railroads .....	14 statements .....	8 hours .....	112	3,920
—Comments on Special Approval Procedure Petition.	Public/railroads .....	13 comments .....	4 hours .....	52	1,820
232.103—General Requirements For All Train Brakes.	370,000 cars .....	66,660 stickers .....	10 minutes .....	11,110	230,644
232.105—General Requirements For Locomotives.	20,000 locomotives	20,000 forms .....	5 minutes .....	1,667	61,679
232.107—Air Source Requirements—Plans To Monitor All Air Yard Sources: First Year.	545 railroads .....	50 plans .....	40 .....	2,000	38,080
—Subsequent Years .....	25 new railroads .....	1 plan .....	40 hours .....	40	2,240
—Amendments to Plan .....	50 existing plans .....	10 amendments .....	20 hours .....	200	11,200
—Record Keeping .....	50 existing plans .....	1,150 records .....	20 hours .....	23,000	805,000
—Written Operating Procedures/Plans.	545 railroads .....	37 plans .....	20 hours .....	740	41,440
232.109—Dynamic Brake Requirements—Records.	545 railroads .....	1,656,000 records .....	4 minutes .....	110,400	3,864,000
—Repair of Inoperative Dynamic Brakes.	20,000 locomotives	6,358 records .....	4 minutes .....	424	14,840
—Locomotives with Inoperative Dynamic Brakes—Tag.	20,000 locomotives	6,358 tags .....	30 seconds .....	53	1,961
—Deactivated Dynamic Brakes—Markings.	8,000 locomotives .....	2,800 markings .....	5 minutes .....	233	8,621
—Subsequent Years—Markings.	8,000 locomotives .....	20 markings .....	5 minutes .....	2	74
—Written Operating Rules—Safe Train Handling.	545 railroads .....	100 oper. rules .....	4 hours .....	400	22,400