

the utility and in turn the FHWA reimburses the State for its payment to the utility. The utilities are required to maintain these records of costs for three years after final payment is received.

Respondents: 3,000 utility companies.

Frequency: On average, approximately 3,000 utility companies would have about 3 adjustments of its facilities per year on Federal-aid projects. Approximately, 9,000 reimbursable utility adjustments are made yearly by about 3,000 utility firms.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: The FHWA estimates that this collection imposes a total annual burden on the public of 180,000 hours. The average amount of time required by these firms to calculate the adjustment costs and maintain the required records is 20 hours.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Roger McClellan, (202) 366-6765, Office of Program Administration, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. Office hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

2. *Title:* Developing and Recording Costs for Railroad Adjustments.

OMB Control Number: 2125-0521 (Expiration Date: October 31, 2003).

Abstract: Under 23 U.S.C. 130, the FHWA reimburses the State highway agencies when they have paid for the cost of projects that (1) eliminate hazards at railroad/highway crossings, or (2) adjust railroad facilities to accommodate the construction of highway projects. The FHWA requires the railroad companies to document their costs incurred for adjusting their facilities. The railroad companies must have a system for recording labor, materials, supplies, and equipment costs incurred when undertaking the necessary railroad work. This record of costs forms the basis for payment by the State highway agency to the railroad company, and in turn FHWA reimburses the State for its payment to the railroad company.

Respondents: 115 railroad companies.

Frequency: Nearly 115 railroad companies are involved in an average of 10 railroad/highway projects per year.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: The FHWA estimates that the total annual burden imposed on the public by this collection is 18,400 hours. The average number of hours required to calculate the railroad adjustment costs and maintain the required records is 16 hours.

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0087, Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Office of Safety, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

3. *Title:* Utility Use and Occupancy Agreements.

OMB Control Number: 2125-0522 (Expiration Date: October 31, 2003).

Abstract: Under 23 U.S.C. 116, the FHWA requires the State and/or local highway authorities to maintain the highway rights-of-way including the control of its use by the utilities. In controlling the utilities, use of the highway rights-of-way the State/local highway authorities are required to document the terms under which the utility is to cross or otherwise occupy the highway rights-of-way. This documentation, consisting of a use and occupancy agreement (permit), must be in writing and must be maintained in the State/local highway authority's files for a three-year retention period.

Respondents: 4, 600.

Frequency: Nearly 4,600 State/local highway authorities are each involved in an average of 15 use and occupancy agreements per year.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: The FHWA estimates that the total annual burden imposed on the public by this collection is 552,000 hours. The estimated amount of time required by the State/local highway authorities to process the permits is 8 hours.

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Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA-2003-16318]

Vehicle Weight, Fatality Risk and Crash Compatibility of Model Year 1991-99 Passenger Cars and Light Trucks; Technical Report

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

ACTION: Request for comments on technical report.

SUMMARY: This notice announces NHTSA's publication of a technical report describing relationships between a vehicle's mass and type and its rate of involvement in fatal crashes. The report's title is Vehicle Weight, Fatality Risk and Crash Compatibility of Model Year 1991-99 Passenger Cars and Light Trucks.

DATES: Comments must be received no later than March 24, 2004.

ADDRESSES:

Report: You may obtain a copy of the report free of charge by sending a self-addressed mailing label to Publications Ordering and Distribution Services (NAD-51), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. A summary of the report is available on the Internet for viewing on line at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/regrev/evaluate/809662.html>. The full report is available on the Internet in PDF format at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/regrev/evaluate/pdf/809662.pdf>.

Comments: You may submit comments [identified by DOT DMS Docket Number NHTSA-2003-16318] by any of the following methods:

- *Web site:* <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Follow the instructions for submitting comments on the DOT electronic docket site.

- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251.

- *Mail:* Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Nassif Building, Room PL-401, Washington, DC 20590-001.

- *Hand Delivery:* Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 am and 5 pm, Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.