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**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket ID Number DOT-OST-2014-0031 by any of the following methods:

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

**Mail:** Docket Services: U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

**Hand Delivery or Courier:** West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**Fax:** 202-366-3383.

**Instructions:** Identify docket number, DOT-OST-2014-0031, at the beginning of your comments, and send two copies. To receive confirmation that DOT received your comments, include a self-addressed stamped postcard. Internet users may access all comments received by DOT at <http://www.regulations.gov>. All comments are posted electronically without charge or edits, including any personal information provided.

**Privacy Act:** Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78).

**Docket:** For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, or the street address listed above. Follow the online instructions for accessing the dockets.

**Electronic Access:** You may access comments received for this notice at <http://www.regulations.gov>, by searching docket DOT-OST-2014-0031.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**OMB Approval No.** 2138-0009.

**Title:** Report of Financial and Operating Statistics for Small Aircraft Operators.

**Form No.:** BTS Form 298-C.

**Type Of Review:** Extension of a currently approved collection for the financial data.

**Respondents:** Small certificated (22) and commuter air carriers (41).

#### **Schedule F1:**

*Number of Respondents:* 63.

*Number of Annual Responses:* 252.

*Total Burden per Response:* 4 hours.

*Total Annual Burden:* 1,008 hours.

#### **Schedule F2:**

*Number of Respondents:* 22.

*Number of Annual Responses:* 88.

*Total Burden per Response:* 12 hours.

*Total Annual Burden:* 1,056 hours.

**Needs and Uses:** Program uses for Form 298-C financial data are as follows:

#### **Mail Rates**

The Department of Transportation sets and updates the Intra-Alaska Bush mail rates based on carrier aircraft operating expense, traffic, and operational data. Form 298-C cost data, especially fuel costs, terminal expenses, and line haul expenses are used in arriving at rate levels. DOT revises the established rates based on the percentage of unit cost changes in the carriers' operations. These updating procedures have resulted in the carriers receiving rates of compensation that more closely parallel their costs of providing mail service and contribute to the carriers' economic well-being.

#### **Essential Air Service**

DOT often has to select a carrier to provide a community's essential air service. The selection criteria include historic presence in the community, reliability of service, financial stability and cost structure of the air carrier.

#### **Carrier Fitness**

Fitness determinations are made for both new entrants and established U.S. domestic carriers proposing a substantial change in operations. A portion of these applications consists of an operating plan for the first year (14 CFR part 204) and an associated projection of revenues and expenses. The carrier's operating costs, included in these projections, are compared against the cost data in Form 298-C for a carrier or carriers with the same aircraft type and similar operating characteristics. Such a review validates the reasonableness of the carrier's operating plan.

The quarterly financial submissions by commuter and small certificated air carriers are used in determining each carrier's continuing fitness to operate. Section 41738 of Title 49 of the United States Code requires DOT to find all commuter and small certificated air carriers fit, willing, and able to conduct passenger service as a prerequisite to providing such service to an eligible essential air service point. In making a

fitness determination, DOT reviews three areas of a carrier's operation: (1) The qualifications of its management team, (2) its disposition to comply with laws and regulations, and (3) its financial posture. DOT must determine whether or not a carrier has sufficient financial resources to conduct its operations without imposing undue risk on the traveling public. Moreover, once a carrier begins conducting flight operations, DOT is required to monitor its continuing fitness.

Senior DOT officials must be kept fully informed and advised of all current and developing economic issues affecting the airline industry. In preparing financial condition reports or status reports on a particular airline, financial and traffic data are analyzed. Briefing papers prepared for senior DOT officials may use the same information.

**The Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002** (44 U.S.C. 3501 note), requires a statistical agency to clearly identify information it collects for non-statistical purposes. BTS hereby notifies the respondents and the public that BTS uses the information it collects under this OMB approval for non-statistical purposes including, but not limited to, publication of both Respondent's identity and its data, submission of the information to agencies outside BTS for review, analysis and possible use in regulatory and other administrative matters.

Issued in Washington, DC, on March 15, 2021.

**William Chadwick, Jr.,**

*Director, Office of Airline Information,  
Bureau of Transportation Statistics.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

### **Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Departmental Offices; Department of the Treasury.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the revision of a currently approved information collection that is to be proposed for approval by the Office of Management and Budget. The Office of International Affairs of the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning Treasury International Capital Form D, "Report of Holdings of, and Transactions in, Financial

Derivatives Contracts with Foreign Residents”.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before May 18, 2021 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Dwight Wolkow, International Portfolio Investment Data Systems, Department of the Treasury, Room 1050, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20220. In view of possible delays in mail delivery, please also notify Mr. Wolkow by email ([comments2TIC@treasury.gov](mailto:comments2TIC@treasury.gov)), or by telephone (cell: 202-923-0518).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Copies of the proposed form and instructions are available on the Treasury’s TIC Forms web page, *TIC D Form and Instructions* √ U.S.

Department of the Treasury. Requests for additional information should be directed to Mr. Wolkow by email ([comments2TIC@treasury.gov](mailto:comments2TIC@treasury.gov)), or by telephone (cell: 202-923-0518).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title:**

Treasury International Capital Form D, “Report of Holdings of, and Transactions in, Financial Derivatives Contracts with Foreign Residents.”

**OMB Control Number:** 1505-0199.

**Abstract:** Form D is part of the Treasury International Capital (TIC) reporting system, which is required by law (22 U.S.C. 286f; 22 U.S.C. 3103; E.O. 10033; 31 CFR 128), and is designed to collect timely information on international capital movements other than direct investment by U.S. persons. Form D is a quarterly report used to cover holdings and transactions in derivatives contracts undertaken between foreign resident counterparties and major U.S.-resident participants in derivatives markets. This information is used by the U.S. Government in the formulation of international financial and monetary policies and for the preparation of the U.S. balance of payments accounts and the U.S. international investment position.

**Current Actions:** No changes in the form or instructions are being proposed at this time. Some clarifications and format changes may be made to improve the instructions.

**Type of Review:** Renewal without change of a currently approved collection.

**Affected Public:** Business or other for profit organizations.

Form D (1505-0199).

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 29.

**Estimated Average Time per Respondent:** Thirty (30) hours per respondent per filing.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:** 3,480 hours, based on 4 reporting periods per year.

**Request for Comments:** Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. The public is invited to submit written comments concerning: (a) Whether Form D is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Office, including whether the information will have practical uses; (b) the accuracy of the above estimate of the burdens; (c) ways to enhance the quality, usefulness and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the reporting and/or record keeping burdens on respondents, including the use of information technologies to automate the collection of the data; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs of operation, maintenance and purchase of services to provide information.

**Dwight Wolkow,**

Administrator, International Portfolio Investment Data Reporting Systems.

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**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the revision of a currently approved information collection that is to be proposed for approval by the Office of Management and Budget. The Office of International Affairs of the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning Treasury International Capital Form S, “Purchases and Sales of Long-Term Securities by Foreign Residents.”

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before May 18, 2021 to be assured of consideration.

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([comments2TIC@treasury.gov](mailto:comments2TIC@treasury.gov)), or by telephone (cell: 202-923-0518).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Copies of the proposed forms and instructions are available on the Treasury’s TIC Forms web page, *TIC S-Form and Instructions* √ U.S. Department of the Treasury. Requests for additional information should be directed to Mr. Wolkow by email ([comments2TIC@treasury.gov](mailto:comments2TIC@treasury.gov)), or by telephone (cell: 202-923-0518).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title:**

Treasury International Capital Form S, Purchases and Sales of Long-term Securities by Foreign-Residents.

**OMB Control Number:** 1505-0001.

**Abstract:** Form S is part of the Treasury International Capital (TIC) reporting system, which is required by law (22 U.S.C. 286f; 22 U.S.C. 3103; E.O. 10033; 31 CFR 128), and is designed to collect timely information on international portfolio capital movements. Form S is a monthly report used to cover transactions in long-term marketable securities undertaken directly with foreigners by banks, other depository institutions, brokers, dealers, underwriting groups, funds and other individuals and institutions. This information is used by the U.S. Government in the formulation of international financial and monetary policies and for the analysis of the U.S. balance of payments accounts.

**Current Actions:** No changes in the form or instructions are being proposed at this time. Some clarifications and format changes may be made to improve the instructions.

**Type of Review:** Renewal without change of a currently approved collection.

**Affected Public:** Business or other for-profit organizations.

Form: S (1505-0001).

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 185

**Estimated Average Time per Respondent:** Six and three-fourth hours per respondent per filing. The estimated average time per filing varies from 11.8 hours for the approximately 30 major reporters to 5.9 hours for the other reporters.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:** 15,010 hours, based on 12 reporting periods per year.

**Request for Comments:** Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. The public is invited to submit written comments concerning: (a) Whether Form S is necessary for the proper