

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

In carrying out its statutory mandate in 15 U.S.C. 637(m) to provide oversight of certification related to the Women-Owned Small Business Federal Contract Program (WOSB Program), the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is currently approved to collect information from WOSB Program applicants or participants through its certification and information collection platform, *Certify.SBA.gov* (Certify). SBA is revising this information collection by updating its hourly burden analysis to reflect the new certification requirements, including the new monthly reporting requirement for third-party certifiers, and adding instructions for firms that wish to document their eligibility using their CVE certification.

**Solicitation of Public Comments**

SBA is requesting comments on (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the agency to properly perform its functions; (b) whether the burden estimates are accurate; (c) whether there are ways to minimize the burden, including through the use of automated techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) whether there are ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information.

**Summary of Information Collection**

*OMB Control Number:* 3245–0374.

*Title:* “Certification for the Women-Owned Small Business Federal Contract Program”.

*Description of Respondents:* Women Owned Small Business.

*Form Number:* 2413, 2414.

*Total Estimated Annual Responses:* 12,000.

*Total Estimated Annual Hour Burden:* 24,400.

**Curtis Rich,**

*Agency Clearance Officer.*

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**SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION****Interest Rates**

The Small Business Administration publishes an interest rate called the Optional Peg Rate (13 CFR 120.214) on a quarterly basis. This rate is a weighted average cost of money to the Government for maturities similar to the average SBA direct loan. This rate may be used as a base rate for guaranteed fluctuating interest rate SBA loans. This rate will be 4.88 percent for the January–March quarter of FY 2024.

Pursuant to 13 CFR 120.921(b), the maximum legal interest rate for any Third Party Lender’s commercial loan which funds any portion of the cost of a 504 project (see 13 CFR 120.801) shall be 6% over the Prime rate or, if that exceeds the maximum interest rate permitted by the constitution or laws of a given State, the maximum interest rate will be the rate permitted by the constitution or laws of the given State.

**David Parrish,**

*Chief, Secondary Market Division.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice: 12296]

**Determination and Certification With Respect to the Child Soldiers Prevention Act of 2008**

**ACTION:** Determination.

**SUMMARY:** The State Department is publishing a Determination signed by the Secretary of State on October 5, 2021.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Antony J. Blinken, Secretary of State, signed the following “Determination and Certification with Respect to the Child Soldiers Prevention Act of 2008” on October 5, 2021. The State Department maintains the original document.

(Begin summary.)

Determination and Certification with Respect to the Child Soldiers Prevention Act of 2008 Pursuant to section 404 of the Child Soldiers Prevention Act of 2008 (CSPA) (22 U.S.C. 2370c–1) and Presidential Memorandum dated October 14, 2020, I hereby:

(1) Determine that it is in the national interest of the United States to waive the application of the prohibition under section 404(a) of the CSPA with respect to Mali to allow for the issuance of licenses for direct commercial sales of military equipment; and

(2) Certify that the government of Mali is taking effective and continuing steps to address the problem of child soldiers.

Accordingly, I hereby waive such application of section 404(a) of the CSPA with respect to Mali for Fiscal Year 2022.

This Determination and Certification shall be published in the **Federal Register** and transmitted, along with the accompanying Memorandum of Justification, to the appropriate committees of Congress.

(End summary.)

**Danusia K. Hubah,**

*Director, Office of Security and Human Rights, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State.*

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**TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY****Extension of the Agency’s Current Approval for Information Collection**

**AGENCY:** United States Trade and Development Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection; submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) has submitted a request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to review and approve an extension for a currently approved information collection for Evaluation of USTDA Performance.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received on or before February 2, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** To access and review all of the documents related to the data collection listed in this notice, please use <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching the agency name. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website: [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function and entering the title of the collection.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Contact Sheneé Turner, Administrative Officer, Attn: PRA, U.S. Trade and Development Agency, 1101 Wilson Blvd., Suite 1100, Arlington, VA 22209–3901; Tel.: (703) 875–4357, Fax: (703) 775–4037; Email: [comments@ustda.gov](mailto:comments@ustda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** USTDA published its first **Federal Register** Notice on this data request extension on November 6, 2023, at 88 FR 7626782, at which time a 60-day comment period was announced. No comments were received in response to this notice at the end of the comment period.

Comments are invited on: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including

whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

#### Summary Collection Under Review

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved information collection.

*Expiration Date of Previous Approval:* 01/31/2024.

*Title:* Evaluation of USTDA Performance.

*Form Number:* USTDA 1000E-2014a.

*Frequency of Use:* Annually for duration of projects.

*Type of Respondents:* Business or other for profit; not-for-profit institutions; farms; Federal, State, and local government.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 1,000 to 1,300 per year.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 334 to 434 hours per year.

*Federal Cost:* \$402,523.

*Authority for Information Collection:* Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 Public Law 103-62 or GPRA; 107 Stat. 285, the Foreign Aid Transparency and Accountability Act (Pub. L. 114-191) or FATAA, the Information Quality Act (IQA) of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-554), and Foundations for Evidence-Based Policymaking Act of 2018 Public Law 115-435.

*Abstract:* USTDA will collect information from various stakeholders on USTDA-funded activities regarding development and/or commercial benefits as well as evaluate success regarding GPRA objectives and support evidence-based policymaking. This information collection enables USTDA to assess the outcomes that its program investments have on U.S. commercial interests and economic development abroad. The goal of this information collection is to gather evidence and stakeholder feedback to continually improve program performance and deliver better results to U.S. taxpayers. Such information is necessary to responsibly carry out the Agency's monitoring and evaluation policy and applicable legal requirements to implement a monitoring and evaluation framework.

Dated: December 26, 2023.

**Sheneé Turner,**

*Administrative Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2023-0143]

#### Truck Leasing Task Force (TLTF); Notice of Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the TLTF.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Thursday, January 18, 2024, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET. Requests for accommodations for a disability must be received by Friday, January 12. Requests to submit written materials for consideration during the meeting must be received no later than Friday, January 12.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held virtually for its entirety. Please register in advance of the meeting at [www.fmcsa.dot.gov/tltf](http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/tltf). A copy of the agenda for the entire meeting will be made available at [www.fmcsa.dot.gov/tltf](http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/tltf) at least 1 week in advance of the meeting. Once approved, copies of the meeting minutes will be available at the website following the meeting. You may visit the TLTF website at [www.fmcsa.dot.gov/tltf](http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/tltf) for further information on the committee and its activities.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Shannon L. Watson, Deputy Designated Federal Officer, TLTF, FMCSA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590, (202) 360-2925, [tltf@dot.gov](mailto:tltf@dot.gov). Any committee-related request should be sent to the person listed in this section.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

The TLTF was created under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) in accordance with section 23009 of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) (Pub. L. 117-58), which requires the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) to establish the TLTF. The TLTF will examine the terms, conditions, and

equitability of common truck leasing arrangements, particularly as they impact owner-operators and trucking businesses subject to such agreements and submit a report on the task force's identified issues and conclusions regarding truck leasing arrangements, including recommended best practices, to the Secretary, the Secretary of Labor, and the appropriate committees of Congress. The TLTF will work in coordination with, and be informed by, the United States Department of Labor.

The TLTF operates in accordance with FACA under the terms of the TLTF charter, filed February 11, 2022, and amended April 28, 2023.

##### II. Agenda

TLTF will begin consideration of Task 24-1: Inequitable Leasing Agreements and Terms in the Motor Carrier industry and Whether They Affect the Frequency of Maintenance Performed on Subjected Vehicles and Whether a Vehicle is Kept in a General State of Good Repair. In addition, FMCSA will provide an ethics presentation to the TLTF members.

##### III. Public Participation

The meeting will be open to the public via virtual platform. Advance registration via the website is required by Friday, January 12.

DOT is committed to providing equal access to this meeting for all participants. If you need alternative formats or services due to a disability, such as sign language interpretation or other ancillary aids, please contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section by Friday, January 12.

Oral comments from the public will be heard during designated comment periods at the discretion of the TLTF chair and Designated Federal Officer. To accommodate as many speakers as possible, the time for each commenter may be limited. Speakers are requested to submit a written copy of their remarks for inclusion in the meeting records and for circulation to TLTF members. All prepared remarks submitted on time will be accepted and considered as part of the record. Any member of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

**Larry W. Minor,**

*Associate Administrator for Policy.*

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