

the track, near Toledo, Or.; (2) that portion of the Newberg Branch between milepost 738.00 near St. Joseph, Or., and milepost 749.67 near Newberg, Or.; (3) that portion of the West Side Branch between milepost 738.00 near St. Joseph and milepost 687.6 near Corvallis, Or.; (4) the Dallas Branch between milepost 729.01 near Gerlinger, Or., and milepost 733.80 at the end of the track, near Dallas, Or.; and (5) the Willamina Branch between milepost 730.46 near Whiteson, Or., and milepost 749.46 at the end of the track, near Willamina, Or.

According to the verified notice, WPRR is the current freight rail operator on the Leased Lines, having received authority to lease and operate the Leased Lines from SP in 1993. *See Willamette & Pac. R.R.—Lease & Operation Exemption—S. Pac. Transp. Co.*, FD 32245 (ICC served Feb. 26, 1993). The verified notice indicates that WPRR and UP have now agreed to amend the lease to further extend its term and make other commercial changes, and that WPRR will continue to be the operator after the transaction.<sup>2</sup>

As required under 49 CFR 1150.43(h)(1), WPRR certifies in its verified notice that the lease contains an interchange commitment. The interchange commitment was amended by a sixth amendment to the lease agreement, dated as of August 1, 2003. WPRR has provided additional information regarding the interchange commitment as required by 49 CFR 1150.43(h).<sup>3</sup>

WPRR certifies that its projected revenues as a result of the transaction will not result in the creation of a Class II or Class I rail carrier, but that its current annual revenues exceed, and are expected to continue to exceed, \$5 million. Pursuant to 49 CFR 1150.42(e), if a carrier's projected annual revenues will exceed \$5 million, it must, at least 60 days before the exemption is to become effective, post a notice of its intent to undertake the proposed transaction at the workplace of the employees on the affected lines, serve a

copy of the notice on the national offices of the labor unions with employees on the affected lines, and certify to the Board that it has done so. WPRR, however, has petitioned for waiver of the 60-day advance labor notice requirements. WPRR's waiver request will be addressed in a separate decision in which the Board will establish the effective date of the exemption. WPRR is currently operating the Leased Lines under the terms of the original lease, as amended, and will continue to do so until the amendment becomes effective. WPRR states that the amended lease will become effective upon the effective date of the exemption, which is 30 days after filing, or upon the grant of its requested labor notice waiver.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions to stay must be filed no later than May 7, 2025.

All pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 36827, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board either via e-filing on the Board's website or in writing addressed to 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on WPRR's representative, Justin J. Marks, Clark Hill PLC, 1001 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 1300 South, Washington, DC 20004.

According to WPRR, this action is categorically excluded from environmental review under 49 CFR 1105.6(c) and from historic preservation reporting requirements under 49 CFR 1105.8(b).

Board decisions and notices are available at [www.stb.gov](http://www.stb.gov).

Decided: April 24, 2025.

By the Board, Scott M. Zimmerman, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

**Kenyatta Clay,**  
*Clearance Clerk.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2024-0165]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Revision of an Approved Information Collection Request: Financial Responsibility Motor Carriers, Freight Forwarders, and Brokers

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

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FMCSA announces its plan to submit the Information Collection Request (ICR) described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. FMCSA requests approval to renew an ICR titled, "Financial Responsibility Motor Carriers, Freight Forwarders, and Brokers." The purpose of this ICR is to provide registered motor carriers, property brokers, and freight forwarders a means of meeting financial responsibility filing requirements. This ICR sets forth the financial responsibility documentation requirements for motor carriers, freight forwarders, and brokers as a result of Agency jurisdictional statutes. On January 6, 2025, FMCSA published a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** announcing its intention to submit this ICR to OMB for renewal. FMCSA received two comments in response to the published notice.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received on or before May 30, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ana Alvarez, Financial Analyst, Office of Registration, Financial Responsibility Filings Division, DOT, FMCSA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001; 202-366-0401; [ana.alvarez@dot.gov](mailto:ana.alvarez@dot.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Financial Responsibility Motor Carriers, Freight Forwarders, and Brokers.

<sup>2</sup> WPRR represents that this is the ninth amendment to the original lease. WPRR does not indicate whether it believes authority from the Board was necessary for the previous amendments. The class exemption invoked by WPRR does not provide for retroactive effectiveness. *See Cent. N.Y. R.R.—Lease & Operation Exemption Including Interchange Commitment—Norfolk S. Ry.*, FD 36825, slip op. at 2 n.3 (STB served Mar. 28, 2025).

<sup>3</sup> Concurrent with the initial filing of its verified notice of exemption, WPRR filed, under seal, portions of the amended lease. *See* 49 CFR 150.43(h)(1) (providing that certain information related to interchange commitments, such as copies of agreements, will be kept confidential without an accompanying motion for a protective order). In its April 14 supplement, WPRR provided, under seal, the full amended agreement.

*OMB Control Number:* 2126–0017.

*Type of Request:* Revision of currently approved ICR.

*Respondents:* For-hire motor carriers, brokers, and freight forwarders.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 200,147.

*Estimated Time per Response:* The estimated average burden per response for Form BMC–40 is 40 hours. The estimated average burden per response for forms BMC–34, 35, 82, 83, 91, and 91X is 10 minutes per form. In addition, form BMC–32 takes 10 minutes. Forms BMC 36, 84, and 85 are affected by the implementation of the Broker Freight Forward Financial Responsibility rule. For the 6 months prior to the rule implementation the estimated average burden per response for these three forms is 10 minutes per form. For the remaining 2.5 year after the rule is implemented the estimated average burden per response for the revised forms is 12 minutes per form.

*Expiration Date:* June 30, 2025.

*Frequency of Response:* Certificates of insurance, surety bonds, and trust fund agreements are required when the transportation entity first registers with FMCSA and then when such coverages are changed or replaced by these entities. Notices of cancellation are required only when such certificates of insurance, surety bonds, and trust fund agreements are cancelled. The BMC–40 is filed only when a carrier seeks approval from FMCSA to self-insure its bodily injury and property damage (BI and PD) and/or cargo liability coverage.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 49,722 hours. The annual burden was revised for Forms BMC–84, BMC–85, and BMC–36. The initial collection period for those forms is the 6-month period prior to the compliance date of the Broker and Freight Forward Financial Responsibility rule where the estimated average burden per response is 10 minutes. The second collection period is a revision for the 2.5 years following the January 16, 2026, rule compliance date where the estimated average burden per response is 12 minutes. The annual burden hours for the revised forms equal 2,249. The annual burden hours for the remaining forms are unchanged at 47,473.

## Background

The Secretary of Transportation (Secretary) is authorized to register for-hire motor carriers of property and passengers under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 13902, surface freight forwarders under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 13903, and property brokers under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 13904. These persons may conduct transportation

services only if they are registered pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 13901. The Secretary has delegated authority pertaining to these registration requirements to the FMCSA (49 CFR 1.87) and the regulations implementing these requirements may be found at 49 CFR part 387. The registration remains valid only as long as these transportation entities maintain, on file with FMCSA, evidence of the required levels of financial responsibility pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 13906. FMCSA regulations governing the financial responsibility requirements for these entities are found at 49 CFR part 387. The information collected from these forms are summarized and displayed in the Licensing and Information system.

## *Forms for Endorsements, Certificates of Insurance and Other Evidence of Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability and Cargo Liability Financial Responsibility*

Forms BMC–91 and BMC–91X, titled “Motor Carrier Automobile Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability Certificate of Insurance,” and Form BMC–82, titled “Motor Carrier Bodily Injury Liability and Property Damage Liability Surety Bond Under 49 U.S.C. 13906,” provide evidence of the required coverage for BI and PD liability. A Form BMC–91X filing is required when a carrier’s insurance is provided by multiple companies instead of just one. Form BMC–34, titled “Household Goods Motor Carrier Cargo Liability Certificate of Insurance,” and Form BMC–83, titled “Household Goods Motor Carrier Cargo Liability Surety Bond Under 49 U.S.C. 13906,” establish a carrier’s compliance with the Agency’s cargo liability requirements. Only household goods motor carriers are required to file evidence of cargo insurance with FMCSA (§ 387.303(c)). Form BMC–90, titled “Endorsement for Motor Carrier Policies of Insurance for Automobile Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability Under Section 13906, Title 49 of the United States Code,” and Form BMC–32, titled “Endorsement for Motor Common Carrier Policies of Insurance for Cargo Liability Under 49 U.S.C. 13906,” are executed by the insurance company, attached to BI and PD or cargo liability insurance policies, respectively, and forwarded to the motor carrier or freight forwarder.

## *Requirement To Obtain Surety Bond or Trust Fund Agreement*

Form BMC–84, titled “Broker’s or Freight Forwarder’s Surety Bond Under 49 U.S.C. 13906,” and Form BMC–85, titled “Broker’s or Freight Forwarder’s Trust Fund Agreement Under 49 U.S.C.

13906 or Notice of Cancellation of the Agreement,” are filed by brokers or freight forwarders to comply with the requirement that they must have a \$75,000 surety bond or trust fund agreement in effect before FMCSA will issue property broker or freight forwarder operating authority registration. Both forms are being revised due to the implementation of the Broker and Freight Forwarder Financial Responsibility rule (88 FR 78656, Nov. 16, 2023). As originally published in 2023, the rule had two compliance dates, January 16, 2025, and January 16, 2026. In anticipation of the January 16, 2025, compliance date, a 60-day **Federal Register** notice was published on August 1, 2024 (89 FR 62842) to revise the current information collection. However, FMCSA subsequently extended the compliance date for all requirements to January 16, 2026, creating a single compliance date for all provisions of the rule. FMCSA issued a second 60-day notice on January 6, 2025 (90 FR 720) to reflect the extended compliance date (see discussion below). The implementation of the Broker and Freight Forwarder Financial Responsibility rule 6 months after the forms are set to expire necessitates the use of two versions of forms BMC–36, BMC–84, and BMC–85. The first version of the forms will apply to the 6 months prior to the implementation of the rule on January 16, 2026. The second version will apply to the 2.5 years following the implementation of the Broker and Freight Forwarder Financial Responsibility rule after January 16, 2026.

## *Cancellation of Prior Filings*

Form BMC–35, titled “Notice of Cancellation Motor Carrier Insurance under 49 U.S.C. 13906,” Form BMC–36, titled “Motor Carrier and Broker’s Surety Bonds under 49 U.S.C. 13906 Notice of Cancellation,” and Form BMC–85, titled “Broker’s or Freight Forwarder’s Trust Fund Agreement Under 49 U.S.C. 13906 or Notice of Cancellation of the Agreement,” can be used to cancel prior filings. Forms BMC–36 and BMC–85 are being revised due to the implementation of the Broker and Freight Forwarder Financial Responsibility rule’s extended compliance date of January 16, 2026.

## *Self-Insurance*

Motor carriers can also apply to FMCSA to self-insure BI and PD and/or cargo liability in lieu of filing certificates of insurance with the FMCSA, as long as the carrier maintains a satisfactory safety rating (see

§ 387.309.) Form BMC-40 is the application used by carriers to apply for self-insurance authority.

On January 6, 2025, FMCSA published a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** (90–FR 720) with a 60-day public comment period to announce its intention to submit this ICR to OMB for the proposed revision. FMCSA received two comments in response to the published notice. One of the comments was not related to this ICR and was removed from the docket because it contained possible personally identifiable information.

The second commenter opposed the Broker and Freight Forwarder Responsibility rule, stating that the \$75,000 financial responsibility requirement imposes a financial burden on smaller brokers and freight forwarders. Additionally, the comment implied that the rule would impose 49,722 burden hours on the participants.

In response, FMCSA notes that the minimum amount of financial responsibility is set by statute and the Agency has no discretion to change it (see 49 U.S.C. 13906(b)(3)).

The commenter's calculation of burden hours is inaccurate, as it represents the annual burden of hours for all 11 forms included in this ICR, not just the three forms updated here.

The commenter did not address whether the proposed collection is necessary for the accuracy of the estimated burden; nor the ways the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information.

**Public Comments Invited:** You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) whether the proposed collection is necessary for the performance of FMCSA's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways for FMCSA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information.

Issued under the authority of 49 CFR 1.87.

**Kenneth Riddle,**

*Acting Associate Administrator, Office of Research and Registration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA–2010–0181]

#### Notice of Petition for Extension of Waiver of Compliance

**AGENCY:** Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This document provides the public notice that Durbin & Greenbrier Valley Railroad, Inc. (DGVR) petitioned FRA for an extension of relief from certain regulations concerning stenciling of rail cars.

**DATES:** FRA must receive comments on the petition by May 30, 2025. FRA will consider comments received after that date to the extent practicable.

#### ADDRESSES:

**Comments:** Comments related to this docket may be submitted by going to <https://www.regulations.gov> and following the online instructions for submitting comments.

**Instructions:** All submissions must include the agency name and docket number. All comments received will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>; this includes any personal information. Please see the Privacy Act heading in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document for Privacy Act information related to any submitted comments or materials.

**Docket:** For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for accessing the docket.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Brahaney, Railroad Safety Specialist, FRA Motive Power & Equipment Division, telephone: 202–493–6134, email: [john.brahaney@dot.gov](mailto:john.brahaney@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under part 211 of title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that by letter dated February 12, 2025, DGVR petitioned FRA to extend a special approval pursuant to 49 CFR part 215 (Railroad Freight Car Safety Standards), and to extend a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained in part 215. The relevant Docket Number is FRA–2010–0181.

Specifically, DGVR requests to extend the previous special approval pursuant to § 215.203, *Restricted cars*, in this docket for 15 cars (DGVR 1–15) that are

(1) more than 50 years from the dates of original construction, and (2) equipped with a component listed in part 215, appendix A (K Style Air Brake). DGVR also seeks to extend relief from § 215.303, *Stenciling of restricted cars*. In its petition, DGVR explains that the cars will be used in excursion service and will be operated at a maximum speed of 10 miles per hour.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

Communications received by May 30, 2025 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable.

#### Privacy Act

Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of FRA's dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL–14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/privacy>. See also <https://www.regulations.gov/privacy-notice> for the privacy notice of [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

Issued in Washington, DC.

**John Karl Alexy,**

*Associate Administrator for Railroad Safety, Chief Safety Officer.*

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