

existing regulation means that most shows would require two drivers, significantly increasing the cost of the fireworks display.

The applicants assert that without the extra duty period provided by the exemption, safety would decline as firework drivers would be unable to return to their home base following each show should they have fireworks remaining after the display. Drivers would be forced to park the CMVs carrying Division 1.3G and 1.4G products in areas less secure than the motor carrier's home base.

#### IV. Method To Ensure an Equivalent or Greater Level of Safety

To ensure an equivalent level of safety, the applicant offers short distance driving from the distribution point to the site of the fireworks display, no more than 150 miles. Drivers have several hours of off duty in the late afternoon and early evening the day of the event. In addition, drivers drive in the early morning during light traffic. Lastly, the applicant states that they have not been involved in any reportable accidents while operating under terms and conditions of the same exemption granted to the previous owner of the company.

A copy of the application for exemption is available for review in the docket for this notice.

Issued on: October 11, 2019.

**Larry W. Minor,**

*Associate Administrator for Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA-2016-0136]

#### Pipeline Safety: Meeting of the Gas Pipeline Advisory Committee and Liquid Pipeline Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of advisory committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a joint public meeting of the Technical Pipeline Safety Standards Committee, also known as the Gas Pipeline Advisory Committee (GPAC), and the Technical Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Safety Standards Committee, also known as the Liquid Pipeline Advisory Committee (LPAC). The GPAC and LPAC will meet jointly to discuss a

variety of policy issues and topics relevant to both gas and liquid pipeline safety.

**DATES:** The GPAC and LPAC will meet jointly on November 14, 2019, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET. Individuals requiring accommodations, such as sign language interpretation or other ancillary aids, are asked to notify Tewabe Asebe by November 4, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Intercontinental Washington DC—The Wharf, 801 Wharf Street SW, Washington, DC 20024. The agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be published on the following meeting page at: <https://primis.phmsa.dot.gov/meetings/MtgHome.mtg?mtg=144>. Presentations will be available on the meeting website and posted on the E-Gov website, <https://www.regulations.gov/>, under docket number PHMSA-2016-0136 within 30 days following the meeting.

The meeting will be open to the public. Members of the public will be provided an opportunity to make a statement during the meeting. The proceeding will be recorded and a record of the proceeding will be made available to the public at <https://www.regulations.gov/>.

**Written comments:** Persons who wish to submit written comments on the meeting may submit them to the docket in the following ways:

**E-Gov website:** <https://www.regulations.gov/>. This site allows the public to enter comments on any **Federal Register** notice issued by any agency.

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

**Mail:** Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

**Hand Delivery:** Room W12-140 on the ground level of the DOT West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays.

**Instructions:** Identify the docket number PHMSA-2016-0136 at the beginning of your comments. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov/>, including any personal information provided. Anyone can 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.). Therefore, consider reviewing DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the

**Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000, (65 FR 19477), or view the Privacy Notice at <https://www.regulations.gov> before submitting comments.

**Docket:** For docket access or to read background documents or comments, go to <https://www.regulations.gov> at any time or to Room W12-140 on the ground level of the DOT West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

If you wish to receive confirmation of receipt of your written comments, please include a self-addressed, stamped postcard with the following statement: "Comments on PHMSA-2016-0136." The docket clerk will date stamp the postcard prior to returning it to you via the US mail.

#### Privacy Act Statement

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to [www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at [www.dot.gov/privacy](https://www.dot.gov/privacy).

#### Confidential Business Information

Confidential Business Information (CBI) is commercial or financial information that is both customarily and actually treated as private by its owner. Under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552), CBI is exempt from public disclosure. If your comments responsive to this notice contain commercial or financial information that is customarily treated as private, that you actually treat as private, and that is relevant or responsive to this notice, it is important that you clearly designate the submitted comments as CBI. Pursuant to 49 CFR 190.343, you may ask PHMSA to give confidential treatment to information you give to the agency by taking the following steps: (1) Mark each page of the original document submission containing CBI as "Confidential"; (2) send PHMSA, along with the original document, a second copy of the original document with the CBI deleted; and (3) explain why the information you are submitting is CBI. Unless you are notified otherwise, PHMSA will treat such marked submissions as confidential under the Freedom of Information Act, and they will not be placed in the public docket of this notice. Submissions containing CBI should be sent to Tewabe Asebe at DOT, PHMSA, PHP-30, 1200 New Jersey

Avenue SE, PHP-30, Washington, DC 20590-0001. Any commentary PHMSA receives that is not specifically designated as CBI will be placed in the public docket for this matter.

*Services for Individuals with Disabilities:* The public meetings will be physically accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals requiring accommodations, such as sign language interpretation or other ancillary aids, are asked to notify Tewabe Asebe at [tewabe.asebe@dot.gov](mailto:tewabe.asebe@dot.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information about the meeting, contact Tewabe Asebe at (202) 366-5523, or [tewabe.asebe@dot.gov](mailto:tewabe.asebe@dot.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Meeting Detail and Agenda

The committees will meet in a joint session to discuss a variety of topics to update committee members on both gas and liquid pipeline applicable safety program and policy issues, such as: Pipeline safety public awareness; reauthorization of the pipeline safety program; a regulatory agenda update; a discussion of safety management systems within the pipeline industry; an update on the Voluntary Information Sharing Working Group, and an update on pipeline safety's research and development program.

##### II. Committee Background

The GPAC and the LPAC are statutorily mandated advisory committees that advise PHMSA on proposed gas pipeline and hazardous liquid pipeline safety standards, respectively, and their associated risk assessments. The committees are established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2, as amended) and 49 U.S.C. 60115. The committees consist of 15 members with membership evenly divided among federal and state governments, the regulated industry, and the general public. The committees advise PHMSA on the technical feasibility, reasonableness, cost-effectiveness, and practicability of each proposed pipeline safety standard.

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**Alan K. Mayberry,**

*Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0872]

### Agency Information Collection Activity: Expanded Access to Non-Va Care Through the MISSION Program: Establishing a Process for Certification, Discontinuance, and Disputes for Veterans Care Agreements (VCAs)

**AGENCY:** Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before December 23, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov) or to Brian McCarthy, Office of Regulatory and Administrative Affairs (10B4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420 or email to [Brian.McCarthy4@va.gov](mailto:Brian.McCarthy4@va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0872" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brian McCarthy at (202) 615-9241.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA of 1995, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VHA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VHA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VHA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of

information; (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 respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

*Authority:* Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521.

*Title:* Expanded Access to Non-Va Care Through the MISSION Program: Establishing a Process for Certification, Discontinuance, and Disputes for Veterans Care Agreements (VCAs).

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0872.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* Section 102 of the VA Maintaining Internal Systems and Strengthening Integrated Outside Networks (MISSION) Act of 2018 (Pub. L. 115-182) authorizes VA to enter into Veterans Care Agreements (VCAs) to furnish required care and services when such care and services are not feasibly available to certain individuals through a VA facility, a contract, or a sharing agreement. VA seeks to establish a new collection to implement three requirements under section 102 of the MISSION Act:

a. **Certification:** Eligible entities and providers will be required to submit to VA information concerning relevant credentials, licenses, and other information as requested by VA to evaluate eligibility for certification. The information to be collected is authorized by 38 U.S.C. 1703A(c).

b. **Discontinuance:** Eligible entities and providers would be required to submit to VA a written notice of intent to discontinue a Veterans Care Agreement prior to the date of such discontinuation. The information to be collected is authorized by 38 U.S.C. 1703A(f)(1).

c. **Disputes:** Eligible entities and providers would be required to submit to VA written notices of dispute that contain specific information to allow VA to assess and resolve the matter in dispute. The information to be collected is authorized by 38 U.S.C. 1703A(h).

#### Certification

*Affected Public:* Private Sector.  
*Estimated Annual Burden:* 1,263 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 5 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* Once annually.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 15,152.

#### Discontinuance

*Affected Public:* Private Sector.