

Management System. TSA also accepts applications by postal mail. Once TSA approves the application, TSA allows the regulated entity to operate as a CCSF in accordance with a TSA-approved security program. Prior to certification, the CCSF must also submit to an assessment by a TSA-approved validator or TSA.

TSA also requires CCSFs and validation firms to accept and implement a standard security program provided by TSA or to submit a proposed modified security program to the designated TSA official for approval.

TSA requires CCSF applicants to ensure that individuals performing screening and related functions under the IFR have successfully completed a security threat assessment (STA) conducted by TSA. In addition, Security Coordinators and their alternates for CCSFs must undergo STAs. CCSFs must submit personally identifiable information on these individuals to TSA so that TSA can conduct an STA.

CCSF facilities must provide information on the amount of cargo screened and other cargo screening metrics at an approved facility. CCSFs must also maintain screening, training, and other security-related records of compliance with the IFR and make them available for TSA inspection.

A firm interested in operating as a TSA-approved validation firm must also apply for TSA approval. Thus, this ICR also covers the following additional collections for validation firms: (1) Applications from entities seeking to become TSA-approved validation firms; (2) personal information so individuals performing, assisting or supervising validation assessments, and security coordinators can undergo STAs; (3) implementation of a standard security program provided by TSA or submission of a proposed modified security program; (4) recordkeeping requirements, including that validation firms maintain assessment reports; and (5) submission of validation reports conducted by validators in TSA-approved validation firms to TSA.

The forms used for this collection of information include the CCSF Facility Profile Application (TSA Form 419B), CCSF Principal Attestation (TSA Form 419D), Security Profile (TSA Form 419E), Security Threat Assessment Application (TSA Form 419F), TSA Approved Validation Firms Application (TSA Form 419G), Aviation Security Known Shipper Verification (TSA Form 419H), and the Cargo Reporting Template.

#### *Estimated Burden Hours*

As noted above, TSA has identified several separate information collections under this ICR. These collections will affect an estimated total of 16,989 unique respondents, including the CCSF pilot respondents, over the three years of the PRA analysis. Collectively, these information collections represent an estimated average of 723,312 responses annually, for an average annual hour burden of 718,255 hours.

1. *CCSF Application.* TSA estimates that it will receive 22,541 applications in 3 years, for an average of 7,514 applications annually and that these applications will require an average of 2 hours each to complete, resulting in an annual burden of 15,028 hours (7,514 × 2).

2. *Validation Firm Applications.* TSA estimates that it will receive 83 applications in 3 years, for an average of 28 applications annually. Each application will require an average of 30 minutes to complete, resulting in an annual burden of 14 hours (28 × 0.5) on the validation firms.

3. *STA Applications.* All CCSF participants subject to 49 CFR parts 1544, 1546, 1548, and 1549, as well as TSA-approved validation firms, will be required to have certain employees undergo security threat assessments (STAs). TSA estimates it will receive a total of 937,300 applications in 3 years, for an average of 312,433 applications annually. STA application requirements result in an annual burden of approximately 78,108 (312,433 × 0.25).

4. *Security Programs.* TSA estimates that a total 16,989 CCSFs and validation firms will be required to maintain and update their security programs. Each firm will devote approximately 4 hours each annually, beginning in the second year, updating their security programs. TSA estimates 31,589 security program updates in the first three years for an average of 10,530 updates per year. The annual hour burden is 42,119 (10,530 × 4).

5. *Recordkeeping requirements.* All CCSFs and validation firms, or 16,989, will be required to maintain records of compliance with the IFR. TSA estimates a time burden of approximately five minutes annually per employee who is required to have an STAt file training records and other records of compliance. This includes validation firm filings of validation assessment reports, resulting in a total of 937,300 record updates in the first three years for an average of 312,433 record updates per year. TSA estimates an annual burden of approximately 25,932 hours (312,433 × 0.083).

6. *Validation Assessment Reports.* TSA estimates it will take individual validators four hours to write up a validation report. In addition, TSA estimated this will result in 5,635 validations being completed annually, resulting in an annual burden of 22,541 hours (5.635 × 4).

7. *Cargo Reporting.* TSA estimates that all CCSFs will complete monthly cargo volume reports at an estimated time of one hour per week. The average annual responses, based on one response per firm per month, are 67,624 (5,635 × 12). The estimated annual burden is 293,037 hours (5,646 × 52).

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## **DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

### **Transportation Security Administration**

[Docket No. TSA-2004-19515]

#### **Intent To Request Renewal From OMB of One Current Public Collection of Information: Air Cargo Security Requirements**

**AGENCY:** Transportation Security Administration, DHS.

**ACTION:** 60-day notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) invites public comment on one currently approved Information Collection Request (ICR), OMB control number 1652-0040, abstracted below that we will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for renewal in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The collections of information that make up this ICR involve five broad categories affecting airports, passenger aircraft operators, foreign air carriers, indirect air carriers operating under a security program, and all-cargo carriers: Security programs, security threat assessments (STA), known shipper data via the Known Shipper Management System (KSMS), cargo screening reporting, and evidence of compliance recordkeeping. TSA seeks continued OMB approval in order to secure passenger aircraft carrying cargo as authorized in the Aviation and Transportation Security Act.

**DATES:** Send your comments by December 13, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be e-mailed to [TSAPRA@dhs.gov](mailto:TSAPRA@dhs.gov) or delivered to the TSA Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) Officer, Office of Information Technology (OIT), TSA-40, Transportation Security Administration, 601 South 12th Street, Arlington, VA 20598-6040.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Please e-mail [TSA.PRA@dhs.gov](mailto:TSA.PRA@dhs.gov) with questions or comments.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Comments Invited**

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The ICR documentation is available at <http://www.reginfo.gov>. Therefore, in preparation for OMB review and approval of the following information collection, TSA is soliciting comments to—

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed information requirement is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including using appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**Information Collection Requirement**

*OMB Control Number 1652-0040 Air Cargo Security requirements, 49 CFR parts 1540, 1542, 1544, 1546, and 1548.* TSA is seeking renewal of an expiring collection of information. Congress set forth in the Aviation and Transportation Security Act (ATSA), Public Law 107-71, two specific requirements for TSA in the area of air cargo security: (1) To provide for screening of all property, including U.S. mail, cargo, carry-on and checked baggage, and other articles, that will be carried aboard a passenger aircraft; and (2) to establish a system to screen, inspect, report, or otherwise ensure the security of all cargo that is to be transported in all-cargo aircraft as soon as practicable. In the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007, Public Law 110-53, Congress requires that 50

percent of cargo transported on passenger aircraft be screened by February 2009, and 100 percent of such cargo be screened by August 2010. Collection of information associated with the 9/11 Act requirements fall under OMB control number 1652-0053.

While aviation security requirements have greatly reduced the vulnerability of the air cargo system, TSA, in cooperation with industry stakeholders, identified additional gaps in the existing cargo security requirements that must be filled to reduce the likelihood of cargo tampering or unauthorized access to the aircraft with malicious intent. TSA must proceed with this ICR for this program in order to meet the Congressional mandates and current regulations (49 CFR 1542.209, 1544.205, 1546.205, and part 1548) that enable them to accept, screen, and transport air cargo. The uninterrupted collection of this information will allow TSA to continue to ensure implementation of these vital security measures for the protection of the traveling public.

*Data Collection*

This information collection requires the “regulated entities,” which may include passenger and all-cargo aircraft operators, foreign air carriers, and indirect air carriers (IACs), to implement a standard security program or to submit modifications to TSA for approval, and update such programs as necessary. The regulated entities must also collect personal information and submit such information to TSA so that TSA may conduct security threat assessments (STA) on individuals with unescorted access to cargo. This includes each individual who is a general partner, officer or director of an IAC or an applicant to be an IAC, and certain owners of an IAC or an applicant to be an IAC; and any individual who has responsibility for screening cargo under 49 CFR parts 1544, 1546, or 1548. Aircraft operators and foreign air carriers must report the volume of accepted and screened cargo transported on passenger aircraft. Further, TSA will collect identifying information for both companies and individuals whom aircraft operators, foreign air carriers, and IACs have qualified to ship cargo on passenger aircraft, also referred to as “known shippers.” This information is primarily collected electronically via the Known Shipper Management System (KSMS). Whenever the information cannot be entered on KSMS, the regulated entity must conduct a physical visit of the shipper using the Aviation Security Known Shipper Verification Form and subsequently enter that information into

KSMS. These regulated entities must also maintain records including records pertaining to security programs, training, and compliance. The forms used in this collection of information include the Aviation Security Known Shipper Verification Form, Cargo Reporting Template, and the Security Threat Assessment Application.

*Estimated Burden Hours*

The hour burden associated with the initial submission of security programs is estimated by TSA to be 4 hours for each of the 152 new aircraft operator, foreign air carrier and IAC average annual regulated entities for an average annual hour burden of 606 hours.

The hour burden associated with the security program updates is estimated by TSA to be 4 hours for each of the 4,509 aircraft operators, foreign air carriers, and IACs for an average annual hour burden of 18,036 hours. TSA estimates one percent of IACs (42) will file an appeal at 5 hours per appeal for an average annual hour burden of 210 hours.

For the STA requirement, based on a 15-minute estimate for each of the average 40,003 annual responses, TSA estimates that the average annual burden will be 10,001 hours.

For the Known Shipper Management System (KSMS), given that the IAC or aircraft operator must input a name, address, and telephone number, TSA estimates it will take 2 minutes for the 792,000 electronic submissions for a total annual burden of 26,400 hours. Also for KSMS, TSA estimates it will take one hour for the 8,000 manual submissions for a total annual burden of 8,000 hours.

TSA estimates out of the 480 total aircraft operators and foreign air carriers impacted by TSA regulations, 135 aircraft operators and foreign air carriers will submit cargo screening reporting information because not all aircraft operators and foreign air carriers transport cargo. TSA estimates this will take an estimated one hour per week (52 hours per year) for a total average annual burden of 6,994 hours. For recordkeeping, based on a 5-minute estimate for each of the 40,003 average annual responses, TSA estimates that the total average annual burden will be 3,320 hours.

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