(b) The lens is marked with an industry standard bulb type: The headlamp lenses in question are clearly marked “9005” (the ANSI designation), which are well-known alternative designations for the HB3 bulb. This designation is recognized throughout the automotive industry, and is used by lighting manufacturers interchangeably with a lamp’s HB type.

(c) The risk of consumer confusion is remote: A consumer can use the 9005 ANSI alternative to properly identify and purchase the correct replacement headlamp bulb for the affected vehicles. Hyundai searched a number of national automotive parts stores (Autozone, O’Reilly, Advanced Auto Parts, and Pep Boys), and found that all HB3 replacement bulbs in these stores were marked with the 9005 ANSI designation. In fact, the packaging on the replacement bulbs was more commonly marked with the ANSI designation than the HB type.

(d) NHTSA precedent supports granting this petition: NHTSA has previously ruled that the noncompliance at issue here (lamps marked with the ANSI designation rather than the HB type) is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety. On January 18, 2017, the Agency granted GM’s petition for inconsequential noncompliance regarding their high-beam headlamp lenses on model year 2012–2015 Chevrolet Sonic passenger cars that were not marked with “HB3” (the HB bulb type), as required by paragraph 501.8.

We agree with GM that the ANSI ‘9005’ designation is a well-known alternative designation for the HB3 light source and that replacement light source packaging is commonly marked with both the HB type and ANSI designation. As such, we believe that consumers can properly identify and purchase the correct replacement upper beam light source for the affected vehicles.

See General Motors, LLC, Grant of petition for Decision of Inconsequential Noncompliance, (NHTSA–2015–0035). Hyundai concluded by expressing the belief that the subject noncompliance is inconsequential as it relates to motor vehicle safety, and that its petition to be exempted from providing notification of the noncompliance existed. However, the granting of this petition does not relieve vehicle distributors and dealers of a defect or noncompliance and to remedy the defect or noncompliance. Therefore, this decision only applies to the subject vehicles that Hyundai no longer controlled at the time it determined that the noncompliance existed. However, the granting of this petition does not relieve vehicle distributors and dealers of the prohibitions on the sale, offer for sale, or introduction or delivery for introduction into interstate commerce of the noncompliant vehicles under their control after Hyundai notified them that the subject noncompliance existed.

NHTSA’s Decision: In consideration of the foregoing, NHTSA finds that Hyundai has met its burden of persuasion that the subject FMVSS No. 108 noncompliance is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety. Accordingly, Hyundai’s petition is hereby granted and Hyundai is consequently exempted from the obligation of providing notification of, and a free remedy for, that noncompliance under 49 U.S.C. 30118 and 30120.

NHTSA notes that the statutory provisions (49 U.S.C. 30118(d) and 30120(h)) that permit manufacturers to file petitions for a determination of inconsequentiality allow NHTSA to exempt manufacturers only from the duties found in sections 30118 and 30120, respectively, to notify owners, purchasers, and dealers of a defect or noncompliance and to remedy the defect or noncompliance. Therefore, this decision only applies to the subject vehicles that Hyundai no longer controlled at the time it determined that the noncompliance existed. However, the granting of this petition does not relieve vehicle distributors and dealers of the prohibitions on the sale, offer for sale, or introduction or delivery for introduction into interstate commerce of the noncompliant vehicles under their control after Hyundai notified them that the subject noncompliance existed.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30118, 30120:
delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.95 and 501.8.

Jeffrey M. Giuseppe,
Director, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA–2017–0110]

Pipeline Safety: Information Collection Activities, Revision to Gas Distribution Annual Report

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

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: PHMSA is preparing to request Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the revision of the gas distribution annual report currently approved under OMB control number 2137–0629. PHMSA proposes revising Part A and certain parts of the instructions. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, PHMSA invites comments on the proposed revisions to the form and instructions.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 18, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted in the following ways:

E-Gov Web site: http://www.regulations.gov. This site allows the public to enter comments on any Federal Register notice issued by any agency.


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 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.

Instructions: Identify the docket number, PHMSA–2017–0110, at the beginning of your comments. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. You should know that 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.). Therefore, you may want to review DOT’s complete Privacy Act Statement in the Federal Register published on April 11, 2000, (65 FR 19476) or visit
proposes allowing a negative value to be reported for percent LAUF gas. These changes would harmonize the PHMSA and Energy Information Administration methodologies for calculating percent LAUF gas.

C. Summary of Impacted Collections

The following information is provided below for the impacted information collection: (1) Title of the information collection; (2) OMB control number; (3) Current expiration date; (4) Type of request; (5) Abstract of the information collection activity; (6) Description of affected public; (7) Estimate of total annual reporting and recordkeeping burden; and (8) Frequency of collection.

PHMSA requests comments on the following information collection:

1. Title: Annual Report for Gas Distribution Pipeline Operators.
   OMB Control Number: 2137–0629.
   Current Expiration Date: 1/31/2018.
   Type of Request: Revision.
   Abstract: PHMSA intends to revise the form and instructions for the gas distribution annual report (PHMSA F 7100.1–1).

   Affected Public: Gas distribution pipeline operators.

   Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:
   Total Annual Responses: 1,446.
   Total Annual Burden Hours: 24,582.
   Frequency of Collection: Annually.

Comments are invited on:
(a) The need for the proposed collection of information, including whether the information will have practical utility in helping the agency to achieve its pipeline safety goals;
(b) The accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;
(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
(d) 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.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 11, 2017, under authority delegated in 49 CFR 1.97.

Alan K. Mayberry,
Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Notice of Order Soliciting Community Proposals

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Department of Transportation.


SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation is soliciting proposals from communities or consortia of communities interested in receiving grants under the Small Community Air Service Development Program. The full text of the Department’s order, including Appendices, is included in this Notice. As noted in the order, an application for a grant under this program must include a Grant Proposal of no more than 20 pages (one-sided only), a completed Application for Federal Domestic Assistance (SF424), a Summary Information Schedule, and any letters from the applicant community showing support.

DATES: Applications must be submitted no later than December 15, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Communities must submit applications electronically through http://www.grants.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Brooke Chapman, Associate Director, Small Community Air Service Development Program, Office of Aviation Analysis, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W96–307, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By this order, the U.S. Department of Transportation (the Department or DOT) invites proposals from communities and/or consortia of communities interested in obtaining a federal grant under the Small Community Air Service Development Program (“Small Community Program” or “SCASDP”) to address air service and airfare issues in their communities. As discussed below, the Department has $10 million available for FY 2017 grant awards to carry out this program.

Applications of no more than 20 one-sided pages each (excluding the completed Application for Federal Domestic Assistance (SF424), Summary Information schedule, and any letters from the community or an air carrier showing support for the application), including all required information, must be submitted to www.grants.gov no later than 4:00 PM EST on December 15, 2017. Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit applications in advance of the deadline. Please be