FTA requests public comment on this proposed General Directive, which is available in its entirety on the FTA public Web site at *http://www.transit.dot.gov/tso.html* and in Docket No. FTA–2016–0041 at *www.regulations.gov.* Following a summary and analysis of the public comment, FTA will issue a final General Directive, and a notice of the availability of that final General Directive in the **Federal Register**, with a Web link to the agency's responses to the public comment.

Carolyn Flowers,

Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA–2016–0154; Notice No. 2016–23]

Hazardous Materials: Information Collection Activities

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

ACTION: Notice and request for comments on Information Collection Approvals.

SUMMARY: This notice announces Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval and extension for four Information Collection Requests (ICRs). Specifically, this notice announces the following: OMB approval and extension until February 28, 2018 for OMB Control No. 2137–0586, ''Hazardous Materials Public Sector Training & Planning Grants''; OMB approval and extension until March 31, 2019 for OMB Control No. 2137–0628, ''Flammable Hazardous Materials by Rail Transportation''; and OMB approval and extension until June 30, 2019 for both OMB Control No. 2137–0613, ''Subsidiary Hazard Class and Number/Type of Packagings,'' and OMB Control No. 2137–0510, ''Radioactive (RAM) Transportation Requirements.''

DATES: The expiration dates for the ICRs approved by OMB are February 28, 2018; March 31, 2019; or June 30, 2019, as indicated under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Requests for a copy of an information collection should be directed to Steven Andrews or T. Glenn Foster, Office of Hazardous Materials Standards (PHH–12), Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590–0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Andrews or T. Glenn Foster, Office of Hazardous Materials Standards (PHH–12), Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590–0001, Telephone (202) 366–8553.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OMB regulations (5 CFR part 1320) implementing provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13) require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (*see* 5 CFR 1320.8(s)) and specify that no person is required to respond to an information collection unless it displays a valid OMB control number. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, PHMSA has received OMB approval for renewal of the following ICRs:

OMB Control Number: 2137–0586.
Title: ''Hazardous Materials Public Sector Training & Planning Grants.''
Expiration Date: February 28, 2018.
OMB Control Number: 2137–0628.
Title: ''Flammable Hazardous Materials by Rail Transportation.''
Expiration Date: March 31, 2019.
OMB Control Number: 2137–0613.
Title: ''Subsidiary Hazard Class and Number/Type of Packagings.''
Expiration Date: June 30, 2019.
OMB Control Number: 2137–0510.
Title: ''Radioactive (RAM) Transportation Requirements.''
Expiration Date: June 30, 2019.

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William S. Schoonover,

Associate Administrator, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Solicitation of Proposals for Designation of Beyond Traffic Innovation Centers

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent to designate Beyond Traffic Innovation Centers.

SUMMARY: *Beyond Traffic* is the Department of Transportation's (''DOT'' or the ''Department'') draft 30-year framework for the future (the full report can be found here: *https://www.transportation.gov/BeyondTraffic*). It lays out key trends that will affect the future of our transportation system. To further this understanding, the DOT is requesting proposals from applicants to form an initial network of multiple centers, focused—through academic activities and programs—on delivering solutions to the challenges outlined in *Beyond Traffic.* These entities will be designated as ''USDOT Beyond Traffic Innovation Centers'' and will serve as thought leaders responsible for continuing the conversation surrounding the future of transportation. USDOT Beyond Traffic Innovation Center activities could include identifying possible solutions in their megaregion (*Beyond Traffic,* p. 25), including but not limited to: Evaluating and researching new technologies relevant to tackling transportation challenges with the megaregion, identification and development of training approaches for the megaregion's future transportation workforce, and convening practitioners, public and private leaders within the megaregion to help identify specific actions that can be taken in the megaregion to address its challenges over the 30 years.

DATES: Proposals must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. EST on December 21, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Final proposals must not exceed 4 pages in length, and must be submitted electronically to: *BeyondTraffic@dot.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information concerning this notice, please contact *BeyondTraffic@dot.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is requesting applications to be designated as a USDOT Beyond Traffic Innovation Center. Read this notice in its entirety so that you have all the information you need to determine whether you would like to submit a proposal.

Description: In the enabling legislation that established the DOT, the Secretary of Transportation is vested with the responsibility to report on current and future conditions of our transportation system. With the Nation's transportation system experiencing repeated impacts due to population growth, changes in climate, a stressed freight network, and inaction to address these impacts, such a discourse could not come at a more crucial time. *Beyond Traffic 2045: Trends and Choices* has been developed by a team of Departmental experts, with input from the public, to conduct a comprehensive examination of our Nation's transportation system. In the fall of