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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID: FEMA-2024-0034; OMB No. 1660-0068]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review, Comment Request; Federal Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Declaration Form.

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: 30-Day Notice of Extension and Request for Comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will submit the information collection abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget for review and clearance in accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. FEMA invites the general public to take this opportunity to comment on an extension, without change, of a currently approved information collection in accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice seeks comments concerning a list of hotels, motels, and similar places of public accommodations meeting minimum fire-safety requirements. The information collected is voluntary and if approved for listing, the lodging establishment may be used by Federal employees on government related travel and for Federal agency conferences. As the list is open to use by the public, non-government travelers may use the list to identify lodging meeting minimum life-safety criteria from fire.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by

selecting “Currently under 30-day Review – Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection should be made to Director, Information Management Division, 500 C Street, SW, Washington, DC 20472, e-mail address *FEMA-Information-Collections-Management@fema.dhs.gov* or Teresa Kaas, Fire Program Specialist, FEMA / U.S. Fire Administration, 301-447-1263, and *teressa.kaas@fema.dhs.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-391) requires FEMA to establish and maintain a list of hotels, motels, and similar places of public accommodation meeting minimum requirements for protection of life from fire. This list is known as the National Master List (NML). This law resulted from a series of deadly fires in hotels and motels, occurring in the late 1970’s and 1980’s, with high loss of life. The legislative intent of this public law is to provide all travelers the assurance of fire-safety in accommodations identified on the NML. Public Law 101-391 further stipulates that Federal employees on official travel stay in properties approved by the authority having jurisdiction and listed on the current NML. For statutory reference see 15 U.S.C. 2224-26.

This proposed information collection previously published in the Federal Register at 89 FR 99889, Dec. 11, 2024, with a 60-day public comment period. FEMA received zero public comments. The purpose of this notice is to notify the public that FEMA will submit the information collection abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget for review and clearance.

Collection of Information

Title: Federal Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Declaration Form.

Type of Information Collection: Extension, without change, of a currently

approved information collection.

OMB Number: 1660-0068.

FEMA Forms: FF-USFA-FY-21-112. (formerly FEMA Form 516-0-1)

Abstract: FF-USFA-FY-21-112 (formerly FEMA Form 516-0-1) collects basic information on life-safety systems related directly to fire-safety in hotels, motels, and similar places of accommodations applying for inclusion on the National Master List in compliance with the Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-391).

Information is published in the National Master List and is publicly available.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,021.

Estimated Number of Responses: 2,630.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 710.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost: \$40,178.

Estimated Respondents' Operation and Maintenance Costs: \$0.

Estimated Respondents' Capital and Start-Up Costs: \$0.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to the Federal Government: \$104,267.

Comments

Comments may be submitted as indicated in the **ADDRESSES** caption above.

Comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology,

e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

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