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Mr. Bernard Stankus
Office of Airline Information
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Research and Innovative Technology Administration
Bureau of Transportation Statistics
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RE: Federal Register notice of January 27, 2011, for the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Statistics: T-100 System (OMB

Number: 2138-0040; Docket ID Number: RITA 2008-0002)

Dear Mr. Stankus:

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) strongly supports the continuation of the Department of Transportation's T-100 System (Report of Traffic and Capacity Statistics). This report is a primary source for key components of BEA's economic statistics.

BEA uses information from this report to maintain and improve the quality of estimates for personal consumption expenditures (PCE) in the national income and product accounts, for the estimates for output in the input-output accounts (I-O), and for the gross domestic product (GDP) by industry accounts. The attachment below outlines the items used by BEA.

Please keep BEA informed about any modifications to this survey. We are particularly interested in any modifications proposed during the survey approval process that would substantially affect our use of these data. For additional information, please contact Ruth Bramblett, Source Data Coordinator, on 202-606-9653 or by e-mail at Ruth.Bramblett@bea.gov. Should you need assistance in justifying this survey to the Office of Management and Budget, please do not hesitate to contact BEA.

Sincerely,
/s/
Dennis Fixler
Chief Statistician

Attachment