INTRODUCTION

Schedule Overview
Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) Management Suite

Background
In the wake of the Arab Oil Embargo of 1973-1974, Congress enacted Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) standards in 1975. The purpose of CAFE is to reduce energy consumption by increasing the fuel efficiency of cars and light trucks. The CAFE standards are averages that must be achieved by each automaker for its car and truck fleet, each year, since 1978. For consumers the most notable impact was the practice of posting a car’s mileage on the window sticker for new vehicles. Congress gave the Department of Transportation the authority to regulate CAFE, which was delegated to the National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration (NHTSA). While NHTSA sets and enforces the CAFE standards, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) calculates average fuel economy levels for manufacturers, and sets related greenhouse gas (GHG) standards. This schedule covers the Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) Management Suite. Created in December 2015, (CAFE) Management Suite contains uploads of fuel economy data from manufacturers, as well as fuel economy data and automobile reports from the EPA. Currently, the (CAFE) Management Suite and accumulated data is available to the public on NHTSA’s website.

Overall Recommendation
I recommend approval of the attached schedule.

APPRAISAL

Item 1: Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) Management Suite
Records of an electronic system designed track the fuel economy of cars and light trucks vehicles including data from the EPA regarding greenhouse gas emissions, fleet fuel economy, a
summary of enforced civil penalties, manufacturer fuel economy, credits accumulated by manufacturers for compliance, and related data.

Proposed Disposition: Temporary

Appropriateness of Proposed Disposition: Appropriate

Appraisal Justification:
* Has little or no research value.
* Does not document significant actions of Federal officials.

Adequacy of Proposed Retention Period(s):
* Adequate from the standpoint of legal rights and accountability.

Media Neutrality: Not Requested. The item is media specific to electronic records.

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