

APPENDIX—Continued

Subject firm	Location	Date received at Governor's office	Petition No.	Articles produced
Interbake Foods (BCT)	Tacoma, WA	03/12/1998	NAFTA-2,256	Cookies and crackers.
Jantzen—Vanity Fair (Wkrs)	Vancouver, WA	03/13/1998	NAFTA-2,257	Men's women's & children's sportswear.
General Datacomm (Wkrs)	Naugatuch, CT	03/13/1998	NAFTA-2,258	Printed circuit board.
Stanley Blacker, Inc (Comp)	Vidalia, GA	03/17/1998	NAFTA-2,259	Men's Dress Slacks and Suit Pants.
Sero Co., Inc (The) (Wkrs)	Cordele, GA	03/13/1998	NAFTA-2,260	Shirts, Pants, Sweaters.
P.K. Electronics (Wkrs)	Scottsdale, AZ	03/16/1998	NAFTA-2,261	Power Supplies.
Pioneer Natural Resources, Inc (Comp)	Midland, TX	03/17/1998	NAFTA-2,262	Oil.
Sansonite (Wkrs)	Tucson, AZ	03/12/1998	NAFTA-2,263	Luggage.
Delphi Interior and Lighting Brea (UAW)	Brea, CA	03/20/1998	NAFTA-2,264	Seat covers.
Deen (Co.)	Tolleson, AZ	03/19/1998	NAFTA-2,265	Men's and women's underwear.
Intercraft (Wkrs)	Mundrelin, IL	03/18/1998	NAFTA-2,266	Picture frames.
BHP (IBEW)	Globe, AZ	03/17/1998	NAFTA-2,267	Copper.
Banta—KCS Industries (GCIU)	Milwaukee, WI	03/18/1998	NAFTA-2,268	Advertising display.
Avent (Wkrs)	Tucson, AZ	03/17/1998	NAFTA-2,269	Medical custom pack.
Forstmann and Company (Co.)	Dublin, GA	03/18/1998	NAFTA-2,270	Woolen broad cloth.
Cannon County Knitting (Wkrs)	Smithville, TN	03/18/1998	NAFTA-2,271	Shirts, dresses, jackets, pajamas.
Delta Woodside Industries (Co.)	Greer, SC	03/23/1998	NAFTA-2,272	Yarn.
Chic by H.I.S. (Co.)	Saltillo, TN	03/19/1998	NAFTA-2,273	Men's and and ladies cotton slacks.
CCL Industries (USWA)	Chester, PA	03/24/1998	NAFTA-2,274	Collapsible tubes.
Don Mart Clothes (Co.)	Philipsbury, PA	03/24/1998	NAFTA-2,275	Men's suits and sportswear.
Harrison Alloys (Wkrs)	Harrison, NJ	03/24/1998	NAFTA-2,276	Wire.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment Standard Administration****Proposed Collection; Comment Request****ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). this program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Employment Standards Administration is soliciting comments concerning six information collections: (1) Notice of Law Enforcement Officer's Injury or Occupational Disease (CA-721), and Notice of Law Enforcement Officer's Death (CA-722); (2) Maintenance of Receipts for Benefits Paid by a Coal

Mine Operator (CM-200); (3) Operator Controversion (CM-970), and Operator Response (CM-970a); (4) Application for Federal Certificate of Age (WH-14); (5) Waiver of Child Labor Provisions for Agricultural Employment of Short Season Crops—29 CFR 575; and (6) Rehabilitation Maintenance Certificate (OWCP-17). Copies of the proposed information collection requests can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before June 7, 1998. The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- 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;
- Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- 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 submissions of responses.

ADDRESSEES: Contact Ms. Patricia Forkel at the U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room S-3201, Washington, D.C. 20210, telephone (202) 219-7601. The Fax number is (202) 219-6592. (These are not toll-free numbers.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Notice of Law Enforcement Officer's Injury or Occupational Disease (CA-721), Notice of Law Enforcement Officer's Death (CA-722)***I. Background*

The Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) administers the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA). The Act provides that non-Federal law enforcement officers and/or their survivors injured or killed under certain circumstances are entitled to benefits of the Act to the same extent as employees of the Federal government. The Notice of Law Enforcement Officer's Injury or Occupational Disease (CA-721) and the Notice of Law Enforcement Officer's Death (CA-722) are the forms used by non-Federal law enforcement officers and their survivors to claim compensation under FECA.

II. Current Actions

The Department of Labor seeks extension of approval to collect

information necessary to determine eligibility for benefits.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Notice of Law Enforcement Officer's Injury or Occupational Disease (CA-721), Notice of Law Enforcement Officer's Death (CA-722).

OMB Number: 1215-0116.

Agency Numbers: CA-721, CA-722.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; businesses or other for-profit; State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Total Respondents: 63.

Frequency: On occasion.

Total Responses: 63.

Average Time Per Response: 60 min. (CA-721), 90 min. (CA-722).

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 87.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$30.45.

Maintenance of Receipts for Benefits Paid by a Coal Mine Operator (CM-200)

I. Background

The Office of Workers' Compensation Programs administers the Black Lung Benefits Act. Under 20 CFR 725.531, self-insured coal mine operators or insurance carriers must maintain receipts for black lung benefit payments made for five years after the date on which the receipt was executed. This requirement is designated as CM-200, Maintenance of Receipts for Benefits Paid by a Coal Mine Operator. There is no form or format for the receipts; a canceled check will satisfy the requirement.

II. Current Actions

The Department of Labor (DOL) seeks extension of approval for this information collection in order that coal mine operators and insurers can provide evidence, as necessary, that payment to claimants has been made and received.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Maintenance of Receipts for Benefits Paid by a Coal Mine Operator.

OMB Number: 1215-0124.

Agency Number: CM-200.

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

Total Respondents: 150.

Frequency: On occasion.

Total Responses: 150.

Total Burden Hours (recordkeeping): 1.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): 0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): 0.

Operator Controversion (CM-970), Operator Response (CM-970a)

I. Background

The Office of Workers' Compensation Programs administers the Black Lung Benefits Act. Under 30 USC 901 *et seq.*, 20 CFR 725.412, and 20 CFR 725.413, a coal mine operator who has been identified as potentially liable for payment of black lung benefits must be notified of this initial finding. The CM-970, Operator Controversion, gives the operator the opportunity to controvert the liability, the applicant's eligibility, and other issues. The regulations require the coal mine operator to be identified and notified of potential liability as early in the adjudication process as possible. The CM-970a gives the coal mine operator the opportunity to agree or disagree with the identification.

II. Current Actions

The Department of Labor seeks extension of approval to collect this information in order to carry out its responsibility to inform responsible coal mine operators of a claim and to offer them the opportunity to controvert the claim.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Operator Controversion (CM-970), Operator Response (CM-970a).

OMB Number: 1215-0058.

Agency Numbers: CM-970, CM-970a.

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

Total Respondents: 4,000.

Frequency: On occasion.

Total Responses: 8,000.

Average Time per Response: 15 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 2,000.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): 0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$2,800.

Application for Federal Certificate of Age (WH-14)

I. Background

The Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) provides, in part, that an employer may protect against unwitting employment of "oppressive child labor" by having on file a certificate issued pursuant to Department of Labor regulations certifying that the named person meets the FLSA minimum age requirements for employment. The Application for Federal Certificate of Age (WH-14) is the form used by the employer to obtain the certificate.

II. Current Actions

The Department of Labor seeks an extension of approval to collect this information in order to afford the employer protection in cases where compliance with child labor regulations is questioned.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Application for Federal Certification of Age.

OMB Number: 1215-0083.

Agency Number: WH-14.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit; State, Local, or Tribal Government; individuals or households; not-for-profit institutions; Farms.

Total Respondents: 50.

Frequency: On occasion.

Total Responses: 50.

Average Time per Response (reporting): 10 minutes.

Average Time per Response (recordkeeping): One-half minute.

Total Burden Hours (reporting and recordkeeping): 9.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): 0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$17.50.

Waiver of Child Labor Provisions for Agricultural Employment of 10 and 11 Year Old Minors in Hand Harvesting of Short Season Crops—29 CFR Part 575

I. Backgrounds

Section 13(c)(4) of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), 29 USC 201 *et seq.*, authorizes the Secretary of Labor to grant a waiver of the child labor provisions of the FLSA for the agricultural employment of 10 and 11 year old minors in the hand harvesting of short season crops if specific requirements are met. The Act requires that employers who are granted such waivers keep on file a signed statement of the parent or person standing in the place of the parent of each 10 and 11 year minor, consenting to their employment, along with a record of the name and address of the school in which the minor is enrolled.

II. Current Actions

The Department of Labor seeks an extension of this information collection in order to determine whether the statutory requirements and conditions for granting a requested exemption have been met.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Waiver of Child Labor

Provisions for Agricultural Employment of 10 and 11 Year Old Minors in Hand Harvesting of Short Season Crops—29 CFR Part 575.

OMB Number: 1215-0120.

Affected Public: Farms; individuals or households.

Total Respondents: 1.

Frequency: On occasion.

Total Responses: 1.

Average Time per Response (recordkeeping): 1 hour.

Total Reporting and Recordkeeping Hours: 4.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): 0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$.35.

Rehabilitation Maintenance Certificate (OWCP-17)

I. Background

The Office of Workers' Compensation Programs administers the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act (LHWCA) and the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA). The Acts provide rehabilitation benefits to eligible injured workers. The Rehabilitation Maintenance Certificate is used to request reimbursement for expenses incurred as a result of an injured employee's participation in an approved rehabilitation effort.

II. Current Action

The Department of Labor seeks an extension of this information collection in order to assist the injured worker who is not currently employed, due to injury, to be provided with rehabilitation services.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Rehabilitation Maintenance Certificate.

OMB Number: 1215-0161.

Agency Number: OWCP-17.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; businesses or other forprofit; not-for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Total Respondents: 1,300.

Frequency: Every four weeks.

Total Responses: 15,600.

Average Time per Response: 10 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 2,605.

Total Burden Cost: (capital/startup): 0.

Total Burden Cost: (operating/maintenance): 0.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 30, 1998.

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Director, Division of Financial Management,
Office of Management, Administration and
Planning, Employment Standards
Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration; Wage and Hour Division

Minimum Wages for Federal and Federally Assisted Construction; General Wage Determination Decisions

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in these decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 29 CFR Part 1, by authority of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (46 Stat. 1494, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR Part 1, Appendix, as well as such additional statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wages payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities described therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue current construction industry wage determinations frequently and in large volume causes procedures to be

impractical and contrary to the public interest.

General wage determination decisions, and modifications and supersedes decisions thereto, contain no expiration dates and are effective from their date of notice in the **Federal Register**, or on the date written notice is received by the agency, whichever is earlier. These decisions are to be used in accordance with the provisions of 29 CFR Parts 1 and 5. Accordingly, the applicable decision, together with any modifications issued, must be made a part of every contract for performance of the described work within the geographic area indicated as required by an applicable Federal prevailing wage law and 29 CFR Part 5. The wage rates and fringe benefits, notice of which is published herein, and which are contained in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under The Davis-Bacon And Related Acts," shall be the minimum paid by contractors and subcontractors to laborers and mechanics.

Any person, organization, or governmental agency having an interest in the rates determined as prevailing is encouraged to submit wage rate and fringe benefit information for consideration by the Department. Further information and self-explanatory forms for the purpose of submitting this data may be obtained by writing to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Standards Administration, Wage and Hour Division, Division of Wage Determinations, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room S-3014, Washington, D.C. 20210.

Modifications to General Wage Determination Decisions

The number of decisions listed in the Government Printing Office document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts" being modified are listed by Volume and State. Dates of publication in the **Federal Register** are in parentheses following the decisions being modified.

Volume I

Connecticut

CT980001 (Feb. 13, 1998)

CT980003 (Feb. 13, 1998)

CT980004 (Feb. 13, 1998)

CT980008 (Feb. 13, 1998)

Massachusetts

MA980009 (Feb. 13, 1998)

MA980010 (Feb. 13, 1998)

MA980013 (Feb. 13, 1998)

Maine

ME980025 (Feb. 13, 1998)

New Hampshire

NH980007 (Feb. 13, 1998)