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Marilyn R. Abbott,

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Justice Programs

[OMB Number 1121-0235]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: 60-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review: Revision of a currently approved collection; Bulletproof Vest Partnership.

The Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, has submitted the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for "sixty days" until December 4, 2006. If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact M. Pressley at 202-353-8643 or 1-866-859-2687, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U. S. Department of Justice, 810 7th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20531.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.

(2) 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.

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

(4) 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.

Overview of this information:

(1) *Type of information collection:* Revision of currently approved collection.

(2) *The title of the form/collection:* Bulletproof Vest Partnership.

(3) *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* Form Number: None, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract. Primary: State, Local, or Tribal Governments. Other: None. Abstract: The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) collects this information as part of the application for federal assistance process under the Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Program. The purpose of this program is to help protect the lives of law enforcement officers by helping states and units of local and tribal governments equip their officers with armor vests. An applicant may request funds to help purchase one vest per officer per fiscal year. Federal payment covers up to 50 percent of each jurisdiction's total costs. BJA uses the information collected to review, approve, and make awards to jurisdictions in accordance with programmatic and statutory requirements.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply:* There are approximately 5,000 respondents who will respond approximately once per year, for a total of 5,000 responses. Each response will require approximately 1 hour to complete.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* The total annual public burden hours for this information collection is estimated to be 5,000 hours: 5,000 × 60 minutes per application = 300,000 minutes / by 60 minutes per hour = 5,000 hours.

If additional information is required, please contact, Lynn Bryant, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Patrick Henry Building, Suite 1600, 601 D Street, NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: September 27, 2006.

Lynn Bryant,

Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards 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 the proposed collection: Notice of Issuance of Insurance Policy (CM-921). A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addresses section of this Notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addresses section below on or before December 4, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Ms. Hazel M. Bell, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave., NW., Room S-3201, Washington, DC 20210, telephone (202) 693-0418, fax (202) 693-1451, E-mail bell.hazel@dol.gov. Please use only one method of transmission for comments (mail, fax, or E-mail).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. *Background:* Section 423 of the Black Lung Benefits Act, as amended, requires that a responsible coal mine operator be insured and outlines the items each contract of insurance must contain. It also enumerates the civil penalties to which a responsible coal mine operator is subject, should these procedures not be followed. Further, 20 CFR part V, subpart C, 726.208-213 requires that each insurance carrier shall report to the Division of Coal Mine

Workers' Compensation (DCMWC) each policy and endorsement issued, cancelled, or renewed with respect to responsible operators. It states that this report will be made in such a manner and on such a form as DCMWC may require. The CM-921 is the form completed by the insurance carrier and forwarded to DCMWC for review. It is also required that if a policy is issued or renewed for more than one operator, a separate report for each operator shall be submitted. This information collection is currently approved for use through March 31, 2007.

II. *Review Focus:* 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.

III. *Current Actions:* The Department of Labor seeks approval for the extension of this information collection in order to identify operators who have secured insurance for payment of black lung benefits as required by the Act.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Notice of Issuance of Insurance Policy.

OMB Number: 1215-0059.

Agency Number: CM-921.

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

Total Respondents: 60.

Total Responses: 4,000.

Time per Response: 10 minutes.

Frequency: Annually.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 667.

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

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$1,880.00.

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: September 28, 2006.

Ruben Wiley,

Chief, Branch of Management Review and Internal Control, Division of Financial Management, Office of Management, Administration and Planning, Employment Standards Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

Petition for Modification

The following party has filed a petition to modify the application of an existing safety standard under section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 and 30 CFR part 44.

Monterey Coal Company

[Docket No. M-2006-066-C]

Monterey Coal Company, 14300 Brushy Mound Road, Carlinville, Illinois 62626 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.364(b)(1) (Weekly examination) to its No. 1 Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 11-00726) located in Macoupin County, Illinois. The petitioner requests a modification of the existing standard to allow evaluation points to be used to examine inaccessible areas of the air courses in the same proximate location where the ventilating air enters and exits the inaccessible areas. The petitioner proposes to install an automatic sensing system at the exit points. The petitioner states that: (1) The inaccessible areas of the affected air course have numerous falls up to 50 feet high; (2) rehabilitation of an entry or removal of stoppings to make parallel entries common will be hazardous to miners due to unstable roof conditions; and (3) use of evaluation points and automatic sensors to examine these areas will provide a safe method of examination in the air courses. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

Request for Comments

Persons interested in these petitions are encouraged to submit comments via e-mail to Standards-Petitions@dol.gov. Include "petitions for modification" in the subject line of the e-mail. Comments can also be submitted by fax, regular mail, or hand-delivery. If faxing your comments, include "petitions for modification" on the subject line of the

fax. Comments by regular mail or hand-delivery should be submitted to the Mine Safety and Health Administration, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, Virginia 22209. If hand-delivered, you are required to stop by the 21st floor to check in with the receptionist. All comments must be postmarked or received by the Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances on or before November 2, 2006. Copies of the petitions are available for inspection at that address.

Dated at Arlington, Virginia, this 27th day of September 2006.

Cherie A. Hutchison,

Acting Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

Petitions for Modification

The following parties have filed petitions to modify the application of existing safety standards under section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 and 30 CFR part 44.

1. Jim Walter Resources, Inc.

[Docket No. M-2006-062-C]

Jim Walter Resources, Inc., P.O. Box 133, Brookwood, Alabama 35444 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1711-1 (Sealing of shaft openings) to its No. 4 Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 01-01247), No. 5 Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 01-01322), and No. 7 Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 01-01401) all located in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama. The petitioner requests a modification of the existing standard to eliminate the requirement to cap shafts with vent pipes. The petitioner states that in previous experiences of equipping caps with vent pipes, in some instances, methane was believed to have existed within the explosive range immediately beneath the cap and oxygen was present in sufficient quantities to support an ignition or an explosion. The petitioner states that to equip caps with vent pipes will be more detrimental to miners' safety and health than the current proposal. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.