

responses: 67,350. Total Annual burden requested: 307,065.

Dated: May 16, 1997.

**Willette Smith,**

*Acting Chief, Information Support Services Division, Office of Administrative Services, Bureau of Management.*

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**OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION**

**June 10, 1997; Board of Directors Meeting; Sunshine Act Meeting**

**TIME AND DATE:** Tuesday, June 10, 1997, 1:00 pm (open portion), 1:30 pm (closed portion).

**PLACE:** Offices of the Corporation, Twelfth Floor Board Room, 1100 New York Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

**STATUS:** Meeting open to the Public from 1:00 pm to 1:30 pm. Closed portion will commence at 1:30 pm (approx.).

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

1. President's Report.
2. Approval of March 11, 1997 Minutes (open portion).
4. Meeting schedule through March, 1998.

**FURTHER MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** (Closed to the Public 1:30 pm).

1. Finance Project in Guatemala.
2. Insurance Project in Brazil.
3. Pending Major Projects.
4. OPIC's Small Business Initiative.
5. OPIC's Reauthorization.
6. Africa Initiative.
7. Personnel Appointment.
8. Approval of March 11, 1997 Minutes (closed portion).

**CONTACT PERSON FOR INFORMATION:**

Information on the meeting may be obtained from Connie M. Downs at (202) 336-8438.

Dated: May 23, 1997.

**Connie M. Downs,**

*OPIC Corporate Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

**Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act**

In accordance with Departmental policy, 28 CFR § 50.7 and 42 U.S.C. § 9622(d)(2), notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in *United States v. Shiny Rock Mining Corporation*, Civil Action No. 97-764-

JO, was lodged on May 20, 1997 with the United States District Court for the District of Oregon. The proposed consent decree resolves claims against Shiny Rock Mining Corporation (Shiny Rock) and Persis Corporation (Persis) under Sections 107 and 113 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9607 and 9613 (CERCLA), for response costs incurred and to be incurred by the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service (Forest Service) to address releases and threatened releases of hazardous substances at or from the Shiny Rock Amalgamated Mill Site, Marion County, Oregon (Site). In a complaint filed contemporaneously with the lodging of the proposed consent decree, the United States alleged that defendants Shiny Rock and Persis are liable under CERCLA as owners or operators of the Site at the time hazardous substances were disposed of at the Site.

The proposed consent decree provides that defendants will pay \$112,500 to the United States for the past and future response costs incurred and to be incurred by the Forest Service and will perform the Remedial Action as set forth in the March 19, 1997 Record of Decision (ROD) issued by the Forest Service. The proposed consent decree also provides that the Forest Service will contribute up to \$750,000 in federal funding towards the costs associated with the implementation of the Remedial Action. In addition, the proposed consent decree provides that the United States covenants not to sue defendants under Sections 106, 107, and 113 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9606, 9607, and 9613, and that defendants will receive contribution protection under Section 113 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9613.

DOJ will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Shiny Rock Mining Corporation*, DPK Ref/ #90-11-2-1047.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, 888 Southwest 5th Avenue, Suite 1000, Portland, Oregon; Willamette National Forest, 211 E. 7th Ave., Eugene, Oregon; Detroit Ranger Station, Highway 22, Mill City, Oregon; and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005, (202) 624-0892. A copy of

the proposed consent decree may be obtained in person or by mail from the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005. In requesting a copy please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$26.75 (25 cents per page reproduction costs), for a copy of the proposed consent decree only or \$51.75, for a copy of the proposed consent decree with appendices, payable to the Consent Decree Library.

**Joel M. Gross,**

*Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Mine Safety and Health Administration**

**Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; 30 CFR 77.1901, Records of Preshift and Onshift Inspections of Slope and Shaft Areas**

**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 Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed reinstatement of the information collection related to Records of Preshift and Onshift Inspections of Slope and Shaft Areas. MSHA 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.

A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the employee listed in the For Further Information Contact section of this notice.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before July 28, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Patricia W. Silvey, Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Room 627, Arlington, VA 22203-1984. Commenters are encouraged to send their comments on a computer disk, or via E-mail to [psilvey@msha.gov](mailto:psilvey@msha.gov), along with an original printed copy.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** George M. Fesak, Director, Office of Program Evaluation and Information Resources, U.S. Department of Labor, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Room 715, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22203-1984. Mr. Fesak can be reached at [gfesak@msha.gov](mailto:gfesak@msha.gov) (Internet E-mail), (703) 235-8378 (voice), or (703) 235-1563 (facsimile).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

The sinking of slopes and shafts is a particularly hazardous operation where conditions change drastically in short periods of time. Explosive methane and other harmful gases can be expected to infiltrate the work environment at any time. The working environment is typically a confined area in close proximity to moving equipment. Mandatory safety standard 30 CFR 77.1901 requires coal mine operators to conduct examinations of slope and shaft areas for hazardous conditions, including tests for methane and oxygen deficiency, within 90 minutes before each shift and once during each shift, and before and after blasting. The surface area surrounding each slope and shaft is also required to be inspected for hazards.

The standard also requires that a record be kept of the results of the inspections. The record consists of a description of any hazardous condition found and the corrective action taken to abate it. The record is necessary to ensure that the inspections and tests are

conducted in a timely fashion and that corrective action is taken when hazardous conditions are identified. The record is maintained at the mine site for the duration of the operation.

##### II. Current Actions

MSHA proposes to continue the information collection requirement related to records of preshift and onshift inspections of slope and shaft areas for an additional 3 years. MSHA believes that eliminating this requirement would expose miners to unnecessary risk of injury or death. The records are used by slope and shaft supervisors and employees, State mine inspectors, and Federal mine inspectors. The records show that the examinations and tests were conducted and give insight into the hazardous conditions that have been encountered and those that may be encountered. The records of inspections greatly assist those who use them in making decisions that will ultimately affect the safety and health of slope and shaft sinking employees.

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement without change.

*Agency:* Mine Safety and Health Administration.

*Title:* Records of Preshift and Onshift Inspections of Slope and Shaft Areas.

*OMB Number:* 1219-0082.

*Recordkeeping:* Records are required to be kept for the duration of the operation.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit institutions.

*Cite/Reference/Form/etc.:* 30 CFR 77.1901.

*Total Respondents:* 30.

*Frequency:* Twice per shift.

*Total Responses:* 10,164.

*Average Time per Response:* 1.25 hours.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 12,705 hours.

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

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining):* \$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: May 20, 1997.

**George M. Fesak,**

*Director, Program Evaluation and Information Resources.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

##### Office of the Assistant Secretary for Veterans' Employment and Training

##### Secretary of Labor's Advisory Committee for Veterans Employment and Training; Notice of Open Meeting

The Secretary's Advisory Committee for Veterans Employment and Training was established under section 4100 of title 38, United States Code, to bring to the attention of the Secretary, problems and issues relating to veterans' employment and training.

Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Labor's Advisory Committee for Veterans Employment and Training will meet on Monday June 16, 1997, in the Department of Labor Secretary's Conference Room, S-2508, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Written comments are welcome and may be submitted by addressing them to: Mr. Thomas S. Keefe, Chief of Staff, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Veterans' Employment and Training, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room S-1313, Washington, D.C. 20210.

The primary items on the agenda are:

- Adoption of minutes of the previous meeting.
- Briefing on Fiscal Year 1998 President's budget request.
- Legislative update.
- Draft plan of annual ACVET report.

The meetings will be open to the public.

Persons with disabilities, needing special accommodations, should contact Thomas S. Keefe at telephone number 202-219-9116 no later than Friday, June, 13, 1997.

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 21st day of May, 1997.

**Preston M. Taylor Jr.,**

*Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training.*

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#### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (97-075)]

##### Notice of Prospective Patent License

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

**ACTION:** NASA hereby gives notice that Electro-Tech Systems, Inc., P.O. Box 561, New Town Branch, Boston, Massachusetts 02258, has applied for an