

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (The Act) authorizes the promulgation of such health and safety standards as are necessary or appropriate to provide safe or healthful employment and places of employment. The statute specifically authorizes information collection by employers as necessary or appropriate for the enforcement of the Act or for developing information regarding the causes and prevention of occupational injuries, illnesses, and accidents.

The inspection certification required in 29 CFR 1926.903(e) is necessary to assure compliance with the requirement for inspection of the electrical system in trucks used for the underground transportation of explosives. The inspection is intended to assure that trucks have a weekly maintenance check of the electrical system to detect any failures which may constitute an electrical hazard. Employers must prepare and retain a certification record of the inspection.

II. Current Actions

This notice requests an extension of the current Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of the inspection certification requirements contained in 29 CFR 1926.903(e).

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Title: Trucks Used Underground to Transport Explosives (29 CFR 1926.903(e))—Inspection Certifications.

OMB Number: 1218-.

Agency Number: Docket Number ICR 97-26.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 1.

Frequency: Weekly.

Average Time per Response: 10 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 525.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: 50.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 8th day of July 1997.

Russell B. Swanson,

Director, Directorate of Construction.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. ICR 97-22]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Crawler, Truck and Locomotive Cranes (29 CFR 1926.550(b)(2))—Inspection Certification

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) [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 Occupational Safety and Health Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the information collection request for 29 CFR 1926.550(b)(2). 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.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before September 12, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments are to be submitted to the Docket Office, Docket

No. ICR 97-22, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210, telephone (202) 219-7894. Written comments limited to 10 pages or less in length may also be transmitted by facsimile to (202) 219-5046.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Larry Davey, Directorate of Construction, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3605, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210. Telephone: (202) 219-7198. Copies of the referenced information collection request are available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office and will be mailed to persons who request copies by telephoning Larry Davey at (202) 219-7198 or Yamilet Ramirez at (202) 219-8055 ext. 141. For electronic copies of the Information Collection Request on 29 CFR 1926.550(b)(2) contact OSHA's WebPage on Internet at <http://www.osha.gov/> and click on standards.

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I. Background

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The inspection certification records required in 29 CFR 1926.550(b)(2) are necessary to assure compliance with the requirement for all crawler, truck, or locomotive cranes. They intended to assure that tests, inspections, and maintenance checks for cranes are conducted and certification records are retained on file until a new record is prepared.

II. Current Actions

This notice requests an extension of the current Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of the inspection certification requirements contained in 29 CFR 1926.550(b)(2).

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Title: Crawler, Truck and Locomotive Cranes (29 CFR 1926.550(b)(2))—Inspection certification.

OMB Number: 1218-.

Agency Number: Docket Number ICR 97-22.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 947,000.

Frequency: monthly.

Average Time per Response: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 1,420,500.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: \$0.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 8th day of July 1997.

Russell B. Swanson,

Director, Directorate of Construction.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. ICR-97-33]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Overhead and Gantry Cranes (29 CFR 1910.179 (j)(2)(iii), (j)(2)(iv), (m)(1), and (m)(2))—Inspection Certifications

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 (PRA 95) (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 impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the information collection requirements contained in 29 CFR 1910.179. The Agency 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

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before September 12, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments are to be submitted to the Docket Office, Docket No. ICR-97-33, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, D.C. 20210. Telephone: (202) 219-7894. Written comments limited to 10 pages or less in length may also be transmitted by facsimile to (202) 219-5046.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Belinda Cannon, Directorate of Safety Standards Programs, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3605, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, D.C. 20210, telephone: (202) 219-8161. Copies of the referenced information collection request are available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office and will be mailed to persons who request copies by telephoning Theda Kenney at (202) 219-8061, ext. 100, or Barbara Bielaski at (202) 219-8076, ext. 142. For electronic copies of the Information Collection Request on the certification provisions of Overhead and Gantry Cranes, contact OSHA's WebPage on the Internet at <http://www.osha.gov/> and click on "standards."

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I. Background

The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (the Act) authorizes the promulgation of such health and safety standards as are necessary or appropriate to provide safe or healthful employment and places of employment. The statute specifically authorizes information collection by employers as necessary or appropriate for the enforcement of the Act or for developing information regarding the causes and prevention of occupational injuries, illnesses, and accidents.

The inspection certification records required in 29 CFR 1910.179 are

necessary to assure compliance with the requirement for overhead and gantry cranes. They are intended to assure that these cranes have periodic and regular maintenance checks and recorded inspections.

II. Current Actions

This notice requests an extension of the current Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of the inspection certification requirements contained in 29 CFR 1910.179—Overhead and Gantry Cranes (currently approved under OMB Control No. 1218-0210).

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Title: Overhead and Gantry Cranes (29 CFR 1910.179 (j)(2)(iii), (j)(2)(iv), (m)(1), and (m)(2))—Inspection Certifications.

OMB Number: 1218-.

Agency Number: Docket Number ICR-97-33.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 35,000.

Frequency: Monthly.

Average Time per Response: 0.30 hour.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 367,528.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: \$0.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 2nd day of July 1997.

John F. Martonik,

Acting Director, Directorate of Safety Standards Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. ICR 97-14]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Asbestos in Construction

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Department of Labor.

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