

possibilities of expanding country coverage

3. The BLS program of international technical assistance in labor statistics: recent developments
4. Measuring capital inputs for use in multifactor productivity computations

Thursday, October 16, 1997—Meeting Rooms 7 and 8

8:30–10:00 a.m.—Committee on Employment and Unemployment Statistics

1. Current Employment Statistics sample redesign and production test
2. Expansion of Occupational Employment Survey to include wages by occupation
3. Update on progress in development and implementation of the North American Industrial Classification System and the Standard Occupational Classification System

10:30–12:30 p.m.—Council Meeting

1. Chairperson's opening remarks
2. Commissioner's address and discussion
3. Chairperson's closing remarks

1:30–3:00 p.m.—Committee on Price Indexes

1. Update on program developments
 - a. Producer Price Indexes
 - b. The Consumer Price Index
2. Other business

Thursday, October 23, 1997—Meeting Room 6

1:30–3:00 p.m.—Committee on Occupational Safety and Health Statistics

1. Report on the 1996 Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries
2. Update on the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) recordkeeping revision plan and its impact on the BLS Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses
3. Report on the case circumstances and work demographic information from the 1995 Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses
4. Report on other new releases of BLS occupational safety and health information
5. Accessing BLS occupational safety and health data on the INTERNET

The meetings are open to the public. Persons with disabilities and those wishing to attend these meetings as observers should contact Nancy Sullivan, Bureau of Labor Statistics, at (202) 606–5903, for appropriate accommodations.

Signed at Washington, DC the 11th day of September 1997.

Katharine G. Abraham,
Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations: Certificate of Electrical/Noise Training

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 extension of the information collection related to the Certificate of Electrical/Noise Training. 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 below in the For Further Information Contact section of this notice.

DATES: Submit comments on or before November 18, 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, along with an original printed copy. Ms. Silvey can be reached at (703) 235–1910 (voice) or (703) 235–5551 (facsimile).

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 (Internet E-mail), (703) 235–8378 (voice), or (703) 235–1563 (facsimile).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

MSHA qualifies mine electricians and certifies persons to take noise level measurements in coal mines. MSHA Form 5000–1 is used to report to MSHA those miners who have satisfactorily completed (1) a coal mine electrical training program; or (2) a noise training course. Based on the information submitted on Form 5000–1, MSHA issues certification cards that identify these individuals as qualified to perform certain tasks at the mine.

Title 30 CFR 75.153(a)(2) and 77.103(a)(2) require that a program be provided for the qualification of certain experienced personnel as mine electricians. Title 30 CFR 70.504 and 71.801 require that mine operators measure the noise levels to which each miner is exposed and that these measurements be taken by a person who has been certified by the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health as qualified. A qualified person is one who has been certified by MSHA as an instructor in noise measurement training programs; or has completed a noise training course conducted by and approved by MSHA.

II. Current Actions

MSHA uses the information from MSHA Form 5000–1 to issue certification cards to those persons who are qualified. MSHA inspectors may ask to see the cards to determine compliance with regulations during routine inspections. Mine operators use the cards to determine a person's

qualifications to perform certain tasks and when hiring new personnel. The information is also used by MSHA to determine mine operators' compliance with approved training plans, to monitor safety training programs, and in reporting to Congress.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Mine Safety and Health Administration.

Title: Certificate and Electrical/Noise Training.

OMB Number: 1219-0001.

Agency Number: MSHA Form 5000-1.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit institutions

Total Respondents: 3,800.

Frequency: On occasion.

Total Responses: 3,800.

Average Time per Response: 4.36 hours.

Total Burden Hours: 16,584 hours.

Total Burden Hour Cost: \$431,184.

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

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$389,049.

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 10, 1997.

George M. Fesak,

Director, Program Evaluation and Information Resources.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 97-137]

Notice of Prospective Patent License

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of Prospective Patent License.

SUMMARY: NASA hereby gives notice that Dow-United Technologies Composite Products, Inc., of Wallingford, CT 06492-1843, has applied for a partially exclusive license to practice the invention described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 5,312,994, entitled "PHENYLETHYNYL ENDCAPPING REAGENTS AND REACTIVE DILUENTS" which is assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Written objections to the prospective grant of a license should be sent to Langley Research Center.

DATES: Responses to this notice must be received by November 18, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George F. Helfrich, Patent Counsel, Langley Research Center, Mail Stop 212, Hampton, VA 23681-0001, telephone (757) 864-9260, fax (757) 864-9190.

Dated: September 12, 1997.

Edward A. Frankle,

General Counsel.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Records Schedules; Availability and Request for Comments

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration, Office of Records Services.

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed records schedules; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) publishes notice at least once monthly of certain Federal agency requests for records disposition authority (records schedules). Records schedules identify records of sufficient value to warrant preservation in the National Archives of the United States. Schedules also authorize agencies after a specified period to dispose of records lacking administrative, legal, research, or other value. Notice is published for records schedules that propose the destruction of records not previously authorized for disposal, or reduce the retention period for records already authorized for disposal. NARA invites public comments on such schedules, as required by 44 U.S.C. 3303a(a).

DATES: Requests for copies must be received in writing on or before November 3, 1997. Once the appraisal of the records is completed, NARA will send a copy of the schedule. The requester will be given 30 days to submit comments.

ADDRESSES: Address requests for single copies of schedules identified in this notice to the Civilian Appraisal Staff (NWRC), National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001. Requesters must cite the control number assigned to each schedule when requesting a copy. The control number appears in the parentheses immediately after the name of the requesting agency.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael L. Miller, Director, Records Management Programs, National

Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001, telephone (301) 713-7110.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Each year U.S. Government agencies create billions of records on paper, film, magnetic tape, and other media. In order to control this accumulation, agency records managers prepare records schedules specifying when the agency no longer needs the records and what happens to the records after this period. Some schedules are comprehensive and cover all the records of an agency or one of its major subdivisions. These comprehensive schedules provide for the eventual transfer to the National Archives of historically valuable records and authorize the disposal of all other records. Most schedules, however, cover records of only one office or program or a few series of records, and many are updates of previously approved schedules. Such schedules also may include records that are designated for permanent retention.

Destruction of records requires the approval of the Archivist of the United States. This approval is granted after a thorough study of the records that takes into account their administrative use by the agency of origin, the rights of the Government and of private persons directly affected by the Government's activities, and historical or other value.

This public notice identifies the Federal agencies and their subdivisions requesting disposition authority, includes the control number assigned to each schedule, and briefly describes the records proposed for disposal. The records schedule contains additional information about the records and their disposition. Further information about the disposition process will be furnished to each requester.

Schedules Pending

1. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (N1-370-97-1). Preliminary and final fishery product and sanitation inspection files.

2. Department of Commerce, Patent and Trademark Office (N1-241-96-6). Comprehensive records schedule for the Office of Legislative and International Affairs and the Office of the Assistant Commissioner for Trademarks.

3. Department of Justice, United States Marshals Service (N1-527-97-12). Records relating to the disposal of seized and forfeited assets, and receipts of civil and criminal service.

4. Department of the Navy, (N1-NU-97-4). Decrease in retention period for index cards containing the names of persons identified in Military Police or