

the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for Departmental Management, U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316.

The Office of Management and Budget 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 clarify 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.

Agency: Office of the Secretary, DOL.
Title: 2000 Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) Employer and
Employee Surveys.

OMB Number: 1225-0 New.

Frequency: One time for both surveys.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; business or other for-profit.

Employee Survey

Sampled households	Total responses	Average time per response (minutes)	Estimated total burden (hours)
Screeners	10,000	5	833
Leave Takers	1,400	15	350
Leave Needer	206	7	24
Employed Respondent	800	5	67
Total	12,406	1,274

Employee Survey:

Sampled establishments	Total responses	Average time per response (minutes)	Estimated total burden (hours)
Screeners	2,400	5	200
Data Gathering by Respondent	1,500	45	1,125
Extended Interview	1,500	20	500
Total	5,400	1,825

Total Burden: 3,099 hours.

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

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$0.

Description: DOL will conduct two surveys as a follow-up to the 1995 surveys done by the Commission on Family and Medical Leave, a bipartisan body established by the Congress. Prior survey clearances were approved by OMB under 1225-0062 (survey of businesses) and 1225-0063 (survey of employees). The new surveys will determine the response by employees and employers to family and medical leave issues, in general, as well as to the Family and Medical Leave Act. The new surveys will be very similar to the previous surveys to permit an analysis of the changes (if any) since 1995. Comments submitted in response to this notice will become a matter of public record.

Ira L. Mills,

Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Office of Policy and Research; Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondents 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 Office of Policy and Research is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the collection of the Occupational Code Request (OCR) information.

A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) 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's section below on or before July 7, 2000.

ADDRESS: Jim Woods, Office of Policy and Research, Employment and Training Administration, Room N-5637, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, 20210, (202) 219-7161 (This is not a toll free number), FAX (202) 219-9186; E-Mail: o*net@doleta.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The *Dictionary of Occupational Titles* (DOT) classifies nearly all jobs in the United States economy. However, new

jobs are constantly evolving, and old ones are eliminated as technology and other facts change. As the O*NET (Occupational Information Network) system, the automated replacement of the DOT, is preparing for the implementation phase, the need for Occupational Code Requests (OCRs) remains.

The ETA 741 Form, the Occupational Code Request (OCR), was developed by the Occupational Analysis (OA) program, as a public service to the users of the revised DOT in an effort to help them in obtaining occupational codes, titles and definitions for jobs that they were unable to locate in the DOT. In addition, data provided on the OCR may also be useful indicators of potential occupations that should be studied as part of the new O*NET on-line system.

Use of the OCR is voluntary and is provided only (1) as a uniform guideline to the public and private sectors to submit information, and (2) to assist O*NET in identifying potential changes in occupations or emerging occupations.

II. Review Focus

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

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- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
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III. Current Actions

The Office of Policy and Research, while preparing for the implementation phase of O*NET, seeks to provide both the public and private sectors with needed occupational codes that cannot be located in the DOT. Therefore, the need for continuing an existing collection of this information is requested.

Type of Review: Extension (without change).

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: Occupational Code Request.

OMB Number: 1205-0137.

Affected Public: Federal Government, State or Local Government; Individuals; and Business or other for-profit/Not-for-profit institutions.

Total Respondents: 95.

Frequency: On occasion.

Average Time per Response: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 47 hours.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): None.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$1119.10.

Comments submitted in response to this comment request 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 2, 2000.

Gerard F. Fiala,

Administrator, Office of Policy and Research.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. NRTL-1-99]

Curtis-Straus LLC., Recognition as an NRTL

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA); Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the Agency's final decision on the application of Curtis-Straus LLC. for recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) under 29 CFR 1910.7.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This recognition becomes effective on May 8, 2000, and will be valid until May 9, 2005, unless terminated or modified prior to that date, in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.7.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bernard Pasquet, Office of Technical Programs and Coordination Activities, NRTL Program, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room N3653, Washington, DC 20210, or phone (202) 693-2110.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Notice of Final Decision

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) hereby gives

notice of its recognition of Curtis-Straus LLC. (CSL) as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL). This recognition covers testing and certification of the equipment or materials, and covers the site, listed below. The recognition also includes CSL's use of the supplemental programs described below.

OSHA recognition of an NRTL signifies that the organization has met the legal requirements in section 1910.7 of title 29, Code of Federal Regulations (29 CFR 1910.7). Recognition is an acknowledgment that the organization can perform independent safety testing and certification of the specific products covered within its scope of recognition, and is not a delegation or grant of government authority. As a result of recognition, OSHA can accept products "properly certified" by the NRTL. OSHA processes applications related to an NRTL's recognition following requirements in Appendix A to 29 CFR 1910.7. This appendix requires that the Agency publish this public notice of its final decision on an application.

CSL applied for recognition as an NRTL, pursuant to 29 CFR 1910.7, and OSHA published the required notice in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 69552, 12/13/99) to announce the application. The notice included a preliminary finding that CSL could meet the requirements for recognition detailed in 29 CFR 1910.7, and invited public comment on the application by February 11, 2000. OSHA received five comments in response to the notice, all of which expressed support for recognition of the applicant.

You may obtain or review copies of all public documents pertaining to the application by contacting the Docket Office, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room N2625, Washington, DC 20210. You should refer to Docket No. NRTL-1-99, the permanent record of public information on the CSL recognition.

The address of the testing facility (site) that OSHA recognizes for CSL is: Curtis-Straus LLC., 527 Great Road, Littleton, Massachusetts 01460.

Background on the Applicant and the Application

According to the application, Curtis-Straus LLC. (CSL) is a limited liability company chartered in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and was established in 1996. CSL states that it offers testing services in electrical safety and in a number of other areas. The applicant also states that its founders and managers have, in the aggregate, over thirty years of technical