

Frequency: Annually.

Number of Respondents: 317,492.

Number of Annual Responses:

317,492.

Estimated Time Per Response: 45 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 238,119.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: \$0.

Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$0.

Description: The Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) survey is a Federal/State establishment survey of wage and salary workers designed to produce data on current occupational employment and wages. OES survey data assists in the development of employment and training programs established by the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998. The WIA replaced the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) of 1982, and the Perkins Vocational Education Act of 1984.

WIA mandates that the Secretary of Labor shall oversee the development, maintenance, and continuous improvement of a nationwide employment statistics system of employment statistics that include—“(A) statistical data from cooperative statistical survey projection programs and data from administrative reporting system that, taken together, enumerate,

estimate, and project employment opportunities and conditions at national, State and local levels in a timely manner, including statistics on—(ii) industrial distribution of occupations, as well as current and projected employment opportunities, wages, benefits (where data is available), and skill trends by occupation and industry, with particular attention paid to State and local conditions;”

Ira L. Mills,

Department Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Trade Adjustment Assistance Program; Designation of Certifying Officers

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice of designation of certifying officers.

SUMMARY: The trade adjustment assistance program operates under the Trade Act of 1974 to furnish program benefits to domestic workers adversely

affected in their employment by imports of articles which are like or are directly competitive with articles produced by the firm employing the workers. The North American Free Trade Agreement-Transitional Adjustment Assistance amended the Trade Act of 1974 to provide assistance to workers impacted by a shift in production from the workers' firm to Mexico or Canada, or increased company or customer imports from Mexico or Canada of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by the workers' firm. Workers become eligible for program benefits only if the worker group is certified under the Act as eligible to apply for adjustment assistance. From time to time the agency issues an Order designating officials of the agency authorized to act as certifying officers. Employment and Training Order No. 1-01, was issued to revise the listing of officials designated as certifying officers, superseding the previous Order. Employment and Training Order No. 1-01, is published below.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 10th day of May 2001.

Raymond J. Uhalde,

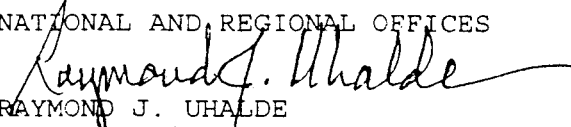
*Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor,
Employment and Training Administration.*

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U. S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration Washington, D.C. 20210	CLASSIFICATION TAA
	CORRESPONDENCE SYMBOL OAS
	DATE February 14, 2001

DIRECTIVE : EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ORDER NO.1-01

TO: : NATIONAL AND REGIONAL OFFICES

FROM: : 
 RAYMOND J. UHALDE
 Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor
 for Employment and Training

SUBJECT : Trade Adjustment Assistance Program (Trade Act of 1974) -- Designation of Certifying Officers

1. Purpose. To designate certifying officers to carry out functions required for the worker adjustment assistance programs under the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, the 1993 North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act, and the certification regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations at Title 29, Part 90.

2. Directives Affected. Employment and Training Order No. 1-94, August 29, 1994 (59 FR 46671 (September 9, 1994)), is superseded.

3. Background. Persons designated as certifying officers are vested with certain authority and assigned responsibilities under the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, the 1993 North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act, and 29 CFR Part 90. Such authority and responsibilities particularly include making determinations and issuing certifications with respect to the eligibility of groups of workers to apply for adjustment assistance under the Act and the program benefit regulations at 20 CFR Part 617. The operating instructions for the transitional adjustment assistance provisions of North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act are contained in General Administration Letter (GAL) 7-94 and changes 1, 2, and 3. The Secretary of Labor's Order 3-81, June 1, 1981 (46 FR 31117 (June 12, 1981))--

delegated authority and assigned responsibility to the Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training for coordinating, monitoring, and insuring that the functions of the Secretary of Labor under the Trade Act of 1974, are carried out, including but not limited to . . .
 [d]eveloping and promulgating program performance standards relating to the conduct of certification investigations, public hearings, issuance of notice of certification

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decisions, delivery of program benefits, and other processes involved in the administration of the trade adjustment assistance program
* * * [and] [d]etermining eligibility of groups of workers to apply for adjustment assistance
* * *.

4. Designation of Officials. By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Secretary's Order 3-81, the following officials of the Employment and Training Administration, United States Department of Labor, are hereby designated as certifying officers for the trade adjustment assistance programs.

a. Edward A. Tomchick, Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, or in the absence of the Director, any person designated by the Assistant Secretary to act on the Director's behalf.

b. Linda G. Poole, Program Analyst, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance

c. Curtis K. Kooser, Program Analyst, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance

The foregoing designated certifying officers are delegated authority and assigned responsibility, subject to the general direction and control of the Assistant Secretary and Deputy Assistant Secretaries of the Employment and Training Administration and Managers of the Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, to carry out the duties and functions of certifying officers under the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, and 29 CFR Part 90.

5. Effective Date: This Order is effective on date of issuance.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Occupational Safety and Health Administration**

[Docket No. ICR-1218-0179(2001)]

Methylene Chloride Standard (29 CFR 1910.1052); Extension of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Approval of the Information-Collection (Paperwork) Requirements**AGENCY:** Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.**ACTION:** Notice of an opportunity for public comment.**SUMMARY:** OSHA solicits comments concerning its request to extend OMB approval of the collection-of-information requirements specified by the Methylene Chloride Standard (29 CFR 1910.1052).**DATES:** Submit written comments on or before July 30, 2001.**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments to the Docket Office, Docket No. ICR-1218-0179(2001), OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693-2350. Commenters may transmit written comments of 10 pages or less by facsimile to (202) 693-1648.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Todd Owen, Directorate of Policy, OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3641, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693-2444. A copy of the Agency's Information-Collection Request (ICR) supporting the need for the information collections specified in the Methylene Chloride Standard is available for inspection and copying in the docket Office or by requesting a copy from Todd Owen at (202) 693-2444. For electronic copies of the ICR contact OSHA on the Internet at <http://www.osha.gov/comp-links.html>, and select "Information Collection Requests."**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Background**

The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent (i.e., employer) burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing information-collection requirements in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA-95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program ensures that information is in the desired format, reporting burden (time and cost) is minimal, collection

instruments are understandable, and OSHA's estimate of the information-collection burden is correct.

The information-collection requirements specified in the methylene chloride (MC) Standard protect employees from the adverse health effects that may result from exposure to MC. In terms of burden-hour estimates, the major information-collection requirements in the MC Standard include employee exposure monitoring, notifying employees of their MC exposures, administering medical examinations to employees, providing examining physicians with specific program and employee information, ensuring that employees receive a copy of their medical-examination results, maintaining employees' exposure-monitoring and medical-examination records for specific periods, and providing access to these records by OSHA, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, the affected employees, and their authorized representatives.

II. Special Issues for Comment

OSHA has a particular interest in comments on the following issues:

- Whether the proposed information-collection requirements are necessary for the proper performance of the Agency's functions, including whether the information is useful;
- The accuracy of OSHA's estimate of the burden (time and cost) of the information-collection requirements, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- The quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and
- Ways to minimize the burden on employers who must comply; for example, by using automated or other technological information-collection and -transmission techniques.

III. Proposed Actions

OSHA is requesting to extend OMB approval of the collection-of-information requirements in the MC Standard. The Agency will summarize the comments submitted in response to this notice, and will include this summary in its request to OMB to extend the approval of this information-collection requirements.

Type of Review: Extension of currently approved information-collection requirements.

Title: Methylene Chloride.

OMB Number: 1218-0179.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; Federal government; State, local or tribal governments.

Number of Respondents: 92,000.

Frequency of Response: Occasionally.

Average Time Per Response: Varies from 1 hour for administering a medical examination to 5 minutes to maintain an employee's medical or exposure record.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 524,615 hours.

Estimated Cost (Operation and Maintenance): \$46,248,000.

IV. Authority and Signature

R. Davis Layne, Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice. The authority for this notice is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506), Secretary of Labor's Order 3-2000 (65 FR 50017).

Signed at Washington, DC on May 24, 2001.

R. Davis Layne,

Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Occupational Safety and Health Administration**

[Docket No. ICR-1218-0206(2001)]

Standard on Grain Handling Facilities; Extension of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Approval of an Information-Collection (Paperwork) Requirements**AGENCY:** Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.**ACTION:** Notice of an opportunity for public comment.**SUMMARY:** OSHA solicits comments concerning the proposed extension of the information-collection requirements contained in the Standard on Grain Handling Facilities, 29 CFR 1910.272.**DATES:** Submit written comments on or before July 30, 2001.**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments to the Docket Office, Docket No. ICR-1218-0206(2001), OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693-2350. Commenters may transmit written comments of 10 pages or less in length by facsimile to (202) 693-1648.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Theda Kenney, Directorate of Safety Standards Programs, OSHA, U.S.