

extension of collection of information previously approved and assigned OMB Control No. 1205-0272. There is no change in burden.

Type of Review: Extension without change.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: Oil and Gas Drilling and Exploration Oilfield Services.

OMB Number: 12205-0272.

Agency Number: ETA 9018.

Affected Public: Businesses.

Frequency: On occasion.

Number of Respondents: 75.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 3 hours.

Total Burden Hours: 225.

Total Burden Cost: (capital/startup) None.

Total Burden Cost: (operating/maintaining) None.

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 12, 2000.

Edward A. Tomchick,

Director, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[NAFTA-003790]

3-I, Incorporated Murrells Inlet, South Carolina; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to Title V of the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act Public Law 103-1 concerning transitional adjustment assistance, hereinafter called NAFTA-TAA and in accordance with Section 250(a), Subchapter D, Chapter 2, Title II, of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2331), an investigation was initiated on March 8, 2000, in response to a petition filed on behalf of workers at 3-I, Inc., Murrells Inlet, South Carolina. Workers produced t-shirts.

The petitioner has requested that the petition be withdrawn due to lack of significant worker separations. Consequently, further investigation in this case would serve no purpose, and the investigation has been terminated.

Signed in Washington, DC this 10th day of May, 2000.

Grant D. Beale,

Program Manager, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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 Employment Standards Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension collection of the following: (1) Rehabilitation Maintenance Certificate (OWCP-17); and Application to Employ Homeworkers (WH-46), Piece Rate Measurements, and Homeworker Handbook (WH-75). Copies of the proposed information collection requests can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this Notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addresses section below on or before July 17, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Ms. Patricia A. Forkel, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave., NW, Room S-3201, Washington, DC 20210, telephone (202) 693-0339 (this is not a toll-free number), fax (202) 693-1451.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Rehabilitation Maintenance Certificate (OWCP-17)

I. Background

The Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) administers the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act and the Federal

Employees' Compensation Act. These Acts provide employment rehabilitation benefits to eligible injured workers. The OWCP-17 is a form which is submitted, signed, and dated by an injured worker receiving rehabilitation services to request reimbursement from OWCP for expenses incurred as a result of participation in an approved rehabilitation effort. The form requires the signature of a facility official to verify that the employee is in attendance at the program.

II. Review Focus

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.

III. Current Actions

The Department of Labor seeks the extension of approval to collect this information in order to carry out its responsibility to provide vocational rehabilitation services to injured workers currently unemployed as a result of their injury, to enhance their employment potential.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Rehabilitation Maintenance Certificate.

OMB Number: 1215-0161.

Agency Number: OWCP-17.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, Businesses or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions.

Total Respondents: 1,300.

Frequency: Monthly.

Total Responses: 15,600.

Average Time per Response: 10 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 2,605.

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

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

Application to Employ Homeworkers, (WH-46), Piece Rate Measurements, and Homeworker Handbook (WH-75)

I. Background

Section 11(d) of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) authorizes the Secretary of Labor to regulate, restrict, or prohibit industrial homework as necessary to prevent evasion of the minimum requirements of the Act. Restrictions exist on seven homework industries, (knitted outerwear, women's apparel, jewelry manufacturing, gloves and mittens, button and buckle manufacturing, handkerchief manufacturing, and embroideries). Homework in these industries is permitted only in certain hardship cases. Homework is permitted under the FLSA in all other industries, provided the employer maintains homeworker handbooks for such employees which record hours of work and certain other required payroll information. Further, employers of homeworkers in certain restricted industries must first obtain a

certification from the Department of Labor authorizing the employment of such workers. Employers in the restricted industries under the certification program who pay workers based on piece rates must maintain documentation of the work measurements used to establish such piece rates and the circumstances under which measurements were conducted.

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III. Current Actions

The Department of Labor seeks the extension of approval to collect this information in order assure compliance with the FLSA in homework employment.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Application to Employ Homeworkers.

OMB Number: 1215-0013.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; Individuals or households; Not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: On occasion.

Reporting Burden:

Title	Agency No.	No. of respondents	No. of responses	Average time per response	Burden hours
Application To Employ Homeworkers	WH-46	71	36	30 min.	18
Homeworker Handbooks	WH-75	4,684	18,736	30 min.	9,368

Recordkeeping Burden:

Title	No. of record-keepers	No. of records	Average time per response	Burden hours
Piece Rate Measurement	71	213	60½ min.	215
Homeworker Handbook	1,171	18,736	½ min.	156

Total Respondents (Recordkeeping and Reporting): 4,755.

Total Annual Responses (Recordkeeping and Reporting): 18,772.

Estimated Total Burden Hours (Recordkeeping and Reporting): 9,757.

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

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$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 12, 2000.

Margaret J. Sherrill,

Chief, Branch of Management Review and Internal Control, Division of Financial Management, Office of Management, Administration and Planning, Employment Standards Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

Petitions for Modification

The following parties have filed petitions to modify the application of existing safety standards under section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977.

1. Freeman United Coal Mining Company

[Docket No. M-2000-037-C]

Freeman United Coal Mining Company, 1999 Wabash Avenue, Suite 200B, Springfield, Illinois 62704-5364 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1909(b)(6) to its Crown II Mine (I.D. No. 11-02236) located in Macoupin County, Illinois. The petitioner requests a modification of the standard to permit a diesel-powered road grader to be operated without front wheel brakes. The petitioner proposes to operate its diesel grader at a maximum speed of 10 miles per hour, lower the grader blade (mold board) to increase stopping capability in emergencies, and provide training for the grader operators on how to recognize appropriate levels of speed for