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- 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 submission of responses.

Agency: Departmental Management—Chief Financial Officer.

Title: Disclosure of Information to Credit Reporting Agencies; Administrative Offset, Interest, Penalties and Administrative Costs.

OMB Number: 1225-0030.

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

Cite/reference	Total respondents	Frequency	*Total responses	Average time per response	Burden
29 CFR 20.7	2,000	On occasion	2,000 (x2)	1.75 hours	7,000 hours.
29 CFR 20.25	500	On occasion	500 (x2)	1.75 hours	1,750 hours.
29 CFR 20.61	1,000	On occasion	1,000 (x2)	1.75 hours	3,500 hours.
Totals	3,500	3,500 (x2)	12,250 hours.

Total Annualized capital/startup costs: 0.

Total annual costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): 0.

Description: This information is collected from debtors to assist in determining whether an individual or organization is actually indebted to the Department of Labor, and if so indebted, to evaluate the individual's or organization's ability to repay the debt.

Theresa M. O'Malley,

Acting Departmental Clearance Officer.

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labor surplus areas. The Secretary of Labor is responsible under that Order for classifying and designating areas as labor surplus areas. Executive agencies should refer to Federal Acquisition Regulation Part 20 (48 CFR Part 20) in order to assess the impact of the labor surplus area program on particular procurements.

Under Executive Order 10582 executive agencies may reject bids or offers of foreign materials in favor of the lowest offer by a domestic supplier, provided that the domestic supplier undertakes to produce substantially all of the materials in areas of substantial unemployment as defined by the Secretary of Labor. The preference given to domestic suppliers under Executive Order 10582 has been modified by Executive Order 12260. Federal Acquisition Regulation Part 25 (48 Part 25) implements Executive Order 12260. Executive agencies should refer to Federal Acquisition Regulation Part 25 in procurements involving foreign businesses or products in order to assess its impact on the particular procurements.

The Department of Labor regulations implementing Executive Orders 12073 and 10582 are set forth at 20 CFR Part 654, Subparts A and B. Subpart A requires the Assistant Secretary of Labor to classify jurisdictions as labor surplus areas pursuant to the criteria specified in the regulations and to publish annually a list of labor surplus areas. Pursuant to those regulations the Assistant Secretary of Labor published the annual list of labor surplus areas on October 12, 1995, (60 FR 53208).

Subpart B of Part 654 states that an area of substantial unemployment for purposes of Executive Order 10582 is any area classified as a labor surplus

area under Subpart A. Thus, labor surplus areas under Executive Order 12073 are also areas of substantial unemployment under Executive Order 10582.

The area described below has been classified by the Assistant Secretary as a labor surplus area pursuant to 20 CFR 654.5(b) (48 FR 165615 April 12, 1983) and is effective June 1, 1996.

The list of labor surplus areas is published for the use of all Federal agencies in directing procurement activities and locating new plants or facilities.

ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL LIST OF LABOR SURPLUS AREAS

[June 1, 1996]

Labor surplus areas	Civil jurisdictions included
Washington: Richland-Kennewick-Pasco Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA).	Benton County. Franklin County.

Signed at Washington, DC on June 20, 1996.

Timothy M. Barnicle,
Assistant Secretary.

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Employment and Training Administration

Labor Surplus Area Classification Under Executive Orders 12073 and 10582; Notice to Addition to the Annual List of Labor Surplus Areas

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

DATES: This addition to the annual list of labor surplus area is effective June 1, 1996.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to announce an addition to the annual list of surplus areas.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William J. McGarrity, Labor Economist, USES, Employment and Training Administration 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room N-4470, Attention: TEES, Washington, DC 20210. Telephone: 202-219-5185, ext. 129.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Executive Order 12073 requires executive agencies to emphasize procurement set-asides in

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 Form LS-1, Request For Examination and/or Treatment.

A copy of the proposed information collection request 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 section below on or before September 4, 1996. 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.

ADDRESSES: Mr. Rich Elman, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave., N.W., Room S-3201, Washington, D.C. 20210, telephone (202) 219-6375 (this is not a toll-free number), fax 202-219-6592.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act provides benefits to workers injured in maritime employment area customarily used by an employee in loading, unloading,

repairing or building a vessel. Under Section 702.419 of the Act the employer/insurance carrier is responsible for furnishing medical care for the injured employee for such period of time as the injury or recovery period may require. Form LS-1 serves two purposes: it authorizes the medical care and provides a vehicle for the treating physician to report the findings, treatment given, and anticipated physical condition of the employee.

II. Current Actions

The Department of Labor seeks extension approval to collect this information to carry out its responsibility to verify that proper medical treatment has been authorized and to determine the severity of a claimant's injuries and entitlement to compensation benefits which an employer is responsible by law to provide if a claimant is medically unable to work as a result of a work-related injury. If the information were not collected, verification of authorized medical care and entitlement to compensation benefits would not be possible.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Request For Examination and/or Treatment, LS-1.

OMB Number: 1215-0066.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Total Respondents: 16,500.

Frequency: On occasion.

Total Responses: 132,000 (average of 8 per respondent).

Average Time Per Response for Reporting: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 142,560.

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

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$46,000.

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: June 21, 1996.

Cecily A. Rayburn,

Director, Division of Financial Management, Office of Management, Administration and Planning, Employment Standards Administration.

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Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NACOSH HazCom Workgroup Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a workgroup of the National Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NACOSH), established under section 7(a) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (29 U.S.C. 656) to advise the Secretary of Labor and the Secretary of Health and Human Services on matters relating to the administration of the Act, will meet on July 23 in N4437 B-D in the Department of Labor Building located at 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC. If necessary, the meeting will be continued on July 24 in the same location. This meeting, which is open to the public, will run from 10:00 am to approximately 4:00 pm the first day and, if necessary, from 8:30 am to no longer than 3:00 pm the second day.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) asked NACOSH to form a workgroup to identify ways to improve chemical hazard communication and the right-to-know in the workplace. OSHA asked the Committee to provide OSHA with recommendations related to simplification of material safety data sheets, reducing the amount of required paperwork, improving the effectiveness of worker training, and revising enforcement policies so that they focus on the most serious hazards.

It is intended that this will be the final meeting of this workgroup. The entire meeting will be devoted to review and finalization of the content of its report and recommendations. This will involve making any necessary changes and obtaining concurrences of workgroup members. This report will then be transmitted to the full National Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health for its action and submission to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Written data, views or comments for consideration by the workgroup may be submitted, preferably with 20 copies, to Joanne Goodell at the address provided below. Any such submissions will be provided to the members of the Workgroup and will be included in the record of the meeting. However, at this point they will not have any impact on the report. Individuals with disabilities who need special accommodations should contact Tom Hall (202-219-8615) a week before the meeting.

For additional information contact: Joanne Goodell, Directorate of Policy, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Room N-3641, 200