

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 of three information collections. Two information collections are conducted by the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, and one is conducted by the Wage and Hour Division. The collections are: (1) Report of Changes That May Affect Your Black Lung Benefits, CM-929; (2) Rehabilitation Plan and Award, OWCP-16; and (3) Application for Authority to Employ Full-Time Students at Subminimum Wages in Retail or Service Establishments or Agriculture, WH-200 MIS. A copy of the proposed information collection requests 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 April 26, 1999. 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.

ADDRESSEES: Contact Ms. Patricia Forkel at the U. S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room S-3201, Washington, DC. 20210, telephone (202) 693-0339. The Fax number is (202) 693-1451. (These are not toll-free numbers.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Report of Changes That May Affect Your Black Lung Benefits, CM-929***I. Background*

When a miner or beneficiary is found eligible for benefits by the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Division of Coal Mine Workers' Compensation, the beneficiary is requested to report certain changes that may affect benefits. The CM-929 is sent to all Black Lung Trust Fund beneficiaries and contains information specific to each beneficiary. The beneficiary reviews the information, and either certifies that it is correct, or provides updated information.

II. Current Actions

The Department of Labor (DOL) seeks approval of the extension of this information collection in order to ascertain that information affecting black lung benefits is accurate and up to date, thus reducing the potential for overpayments and underpayments to beneficiaries.

Type of Review: Extension.
Agency: Employment Standards Administration.
Title(s): Report of Changes That May Affect Your Black Lung Benefits.
OMB Number: 1215-0084.
Agency Number(s): CM-929.
Affected Public: Individuals or households.
Total Respondents: 30,000.
Frequency: Annually.
Total Responses: 30,000.
Average Time per Response: 5 to 8 minutes.
Total Burden Hours: 2,650.
Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.

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

Rehabilitation Plan and Award*I. Background*

The Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) administers the

Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act (LSHWCA) and the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA). Both of these Acts provide for rehabilitation services to eligible injured workers. This form (OWCP-16) is used to document the plan for rehabilitation services submitted to OWCP by the injured worker and the rehabilitation counselor, and is used by OWCP to award payment from funds provided for rehabilitation. The form summarizes the nature and costs of the rehabilitation program for a prompt decision on funding by OWCP. The signature of both parties on the form document their collective approval of the plan.

II. Current Actions

The Department of Labor seeks the extension of approval to collect this information in order to carry out its responsibility to provide and fund rehabilitation for injured workers.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title(s): Rehabilitation Plan and Award.

OMB Number: 1215-0067.

Agency Number(s): OWCP-16.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, Business or other for-profit.

Total Respondents: 7,000.

Frequency: On occasion.

Total Responses: 7,000.

Average time per Response: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 3,500.

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

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

Application for Authority To Employ Full-Time Students at Subminimum Wages in Retail or Service Establishments or Agriculture, WH-200-MIS*I. Background*

Sections 14(b)(1) and 14(b)(2) of the Fair Labor Standards Act require the Secretary of Labor to provide certificates authorizing the employment of full-time students at 85 percent of the applicable minimum wage in retail or service establishments or in agriculture, to prevent curtailment of opportunities for employment. The implementing regulations set forth the terms and conditions for employment for such students. These provisions set limits on such employment and prescribe safeguards to protect full-time students so employed and full-time employment opportunities of other employees. The WH-200-MIS is a voluntary use application form prepared and signed

by an authorized representative of an employer applying for authorization to employ full-time students at subminimum wages. The application process allows the Wage and Hour Division to determine whether to grant or deny subminimum wage authority to the applicant.

II. Current Actions

The Department of Labor is seeking an extension of this information collection in order to carry out its responsibility to assess an applicant establishment's general compliance with FLSA and to insure that employers do not exceed their allowances for employing full-time students at subminimum wages.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title(s): Application for Authority to Employ Full-Time Students at Subminimum Wages in Retail or Service Establishments or Agriculture.

OMB Number: 1215-0032.

Agency Numbers: WH-200 MIS.

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

Total Respondents: 2,000.

Frequency: Annually.

Total Responses: 2,000.

Average Time per Response: 10 to 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 400.

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

Total Burden Cost (operating and maintenance): \$700.00.

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: February 17, 1999.

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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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: NARA is giving public notice that the agency has submitted to OMB

for approval the information collections described in this notice, which are used in the National Historical Publications and Records Commission grant program. The public is invited to comment on the proposed information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to OMB at the address below on or before March 25, 1999 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: Ms. Maya Bernstein, Desk Officer for NARA, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the proposed information collections and supporting statements should be directed to Tamee Fechhelm at telephone number 301-713-6730, or fax number 301-713-6913.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), NARA invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed information collections. NARA published a notice of proposed collection for these information collections on December 18, 1998 (63 FR 70164 and 70165). No comments were received. NARA has submitted the described information collections to OMB for approval.

In response to this notice, comments and suggestions should address one or more of the following points: (a) Whether the proposed collection information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of NARA; (b) the accuracy of NARA's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collections; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of information technology. In this notice, NARA is soliciting comments concerning the following information collections:

Title: NHPRC Budget Form and Instructions.

OMB number: 3095-0004.

Agency form number: NA Form 17001.

Type of review: Regular.

Affected public: Nonprofit organizations and institutions, state and local government agencies, Federally acknowledged or state-recognized Native American tribes or groups, and individuals who apply for NHPRC

grants for support of historical documentary editions, archival preservation and planning projects, and other records projects.

Estimated number of respondents: 174.

Estimated time per response: 3 hours.

Frequency of response: On occasion (when respondent wishes to apply for NHPRC grant). Respondents generally submit no more than 1 applications per year.

Estimated total annual burden hours: 552.

Abstract: The information collection is prescribed by 36 CFR 1206.58. The collection is prepared by prospective grantees. The budget form is used by the NHPRC staff, reviewers, the Commission to determine whether proposed project is methodologically sound and suitable for support and as a basis for determining the amount of support to be provided.

Dated: February 17, 1999.

L. Reynolds Cahoon,

Assistant Archivist for Human Resources and Information Services.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Alan T. Waterman Award Committee; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Alan T. Waterman Award Committee (1172).

Date and Time: Monday, March 8, 1999; 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Place: Room 370, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Mrs. Susan E. Fannoney, Executive Secretary, Room 1220, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: 703/306-1096.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations in the selection of the Alan T. Waterman Award recipient.

Agenda: To review and evaluate nominations as part of the selection process for awards.

Reason for Closing: The nominations being reviewed include information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute unwarranted invasions of personal privacy. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(d)(6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.