

is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Department of Justice Desk Officer, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503. Comments may also be submitted to the Department of Justice (DOJ), Justice Management Division, Information Management and Security Staff, Attention: Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Department Clearance Officer, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of the information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) 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.

Overview of this information collection:

- (1) *Type of Information Collection:* New data collection.
- (2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Federal Firearm Licensee Survey.
- (3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection:* Form: None. Criminal Justice Information Services Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.
- (4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Business or other for-profit (Federally licensed firearms dealers, manufacturers, or importers). *Brief Abstract:* The Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act of 1994, requires the Attorney General to

establish a national instant criminal background check system that any Federal Firearm Licensee may contact, by telephone or by other electronic means in addition to the telephone, for information, to be supplied immediately, on whether receipt of a firearm to a prospective purchaser would violate federal or state law. Information pertaining to licensees who may contact the NICS is being collected to plan and manage the NICS, to ensure appropriate resources are available to support the NICS, and also to ensure the privacy and security of NICS information.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 1,200 Federal Firearms Licensees at an average of 15 minutes to respond.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 300.

If additional information is required contact: Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management and Security Staff, Justice Management Division, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: August 18, 1998.

Robert B. Briggs,

Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration/Wage and Hour Division

Minimum Wages for Federal and Federally Assisted Construction; General Wage Determination Decisions

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in these decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 29 CFR Part 1, by authority of the Secretary

of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (45 Stat. 1494, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR Part 1, Appendix, as well as such additional statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wages payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities described therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue current construction industry wage determinations frequently and in large volume causes procedures to be impractical and contrary to the public interest.

General wage determination decisions, and modifications and superseding decisions thereto, contain no expiration dates and are effective from their date of notice in the **Federal Register**, or on the date written notice is received by the agency, whichever is earlier. These decisions are to be used in accordance with the provisions of 29 CFR Parts 1 and 5. Accordingly, the applicable decision, together with any modifications issued, must be made a part of every contract for performance of the described work within the geographic area indicated as required by an applicable Federal prevailing wage law and 29 CFR Part 5. The wage rates and fringe benefits, notice of which is published herein, and which are contained in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under The Davis-Bacon And Related Acts," shall be the minimum paid by contractors and subcontractors to laborers and mechanics.

Any person, organization, or governmental agency having an interest in the rates determined as prevailing is encouraged to submit wage rate and fringe benefit information for consideration by the Department. Further information and self-explanatory forms for the purpose of submitting this data may be obtained by writing to the U.S. Department of Labor,

Employment Standards Administration, Wage and Hour Division, Division of Wage Determinations, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room S-3014, Washington, D.C. 20210.

Modification to General Wage Determination Decisions

The number of decisions listed in the Government Printing Office document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts" being modified are listed by Volume and State. Dates of publication in the **Federal Register** are in parentheses following the decisions being modified.

Volume I

None

Volume II

District of Columbia:

DC980001 (Feb. 13, 1998)
DC980003 (Feb. 13, 1998)

West Virginia:

WV980002 (Feb. 13, 1998)
WV980003 (Feb. 13, 1998)
WV980006 (Feb. 13, 1998)

Volume III

Georgia:

GA980003 (Feb. 13, 1998)
GA980031 (Feb. 13, 1998)
GA980032 (Feb. 13, 1998)
GA980033 (Feb. 13, 1998)
GA980034 (Feb. 13, 1998)
GA980065 (Feb. 13, 1998)
GA980073 (Feb. 13, 1998)
GA980085 (Feb. 13, 1998)
GA980086 (Feb. 13, 1998)
GA980087 (Feb. 13, 1998)
GA980088 (Feb. 13, 1998)

Volume IV

Michigan:

MI980039 (Feb. 13, 1998)
MI980042 (Feb. 13, 1998)

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Kansas:

KS980012 (Feb. 13, 1998)

Nebraska:

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NE980011 (Feb. 13, 1998)
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NE980025 (Feb. 13, 1998)
NE980038 (Feb. 13, 1998)
NE980044 (Feb. 13, 1998)

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Alaska:

AK980001 (Feb. 13, 1998)

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Volume VII

Nevada:

NV980001 (Feb. 13, 1998)
NV980002 (Feb. 13, 1998)
NV980005 (Feb. 13, 1998)
NV980007 (Feb. 13, 1998)
NV980008 (Feb. 13, 1998)
NV980009 (Feb. 13, 1998)

General Wage Determination Publication

General wage determinations issued under the Davis-Bacon and related Acts, including those noted above, may be found in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under The Davis-Bacon and Related Acts." This publication is available at each of the 50 Regional Government Depository Libraries and many of the 1,400 Government Depository Libraries across the country.

The general wage determinations issued under the Davis-Bacon and related Acts are available electronically by subscription to the FedWorld Bulletin Board System of the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) of the U.S. Department of Commerce at 1-800-363-2068.

Hard-copy subscriptions may be purchased from: Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, (202) 512-1800.

When ordering hard-copy subscription(s), be sure to specify the State(s) of interest, since subscriptions may be ordered for any or all of the seven separate volumes, arranged by State. Subscriptions include an annual edition (issued in January or February) which includes all current general wage determinations for the States covered by each volume. Throughout the remainder of the year, regular weekly updates are distributed to subscribers.

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 13th day of August 1998.

Carl J. Poleskey,

Chief, Branch of Construction Wage Determinations.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

Summary of Decisions Granting in Whole or in Part Petitions for Modification

AGENCY: Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA), Labor.

ACTION: Notice of affirmative decisions issued by the Administrators for Coal

Mine Safety and Health and Metal and Nonmetal Mine Safety and Health on petitions for modification of the application of mandatory safety standards.

SUMMARY: Under section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977, the Secretary of Labor may modify the application of a mandatory safety standard to a mine if the Secretary determines either that an alternate method exists at a specific mine that will guarantee no less protection for the miners affected than that provided by the standard, or that the application of the standard at a specific mine will result in a diminution of safety to the affected miners.

Summaries of petitions received by the Secretary appear periodically in the **Federal Register**. Final decisions on these petitions are based upon the petitioner's statements, comments and information submitted by interested persons, and a field investigation of the conditions at the mine. MSHA has granted or partially granted the requests for modification submitted by the petitioners listed below. In some instances, the decisions are conditioned upon compliance with stipulations stated in the decision.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Petitions and copies of the final decisions are available for examination by the public in the Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, MSHA, Room 627, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Contact Barbara Barron at 703-235-1910.

Patricia W. Silvey,

Director, Office of Standards, Regulations and Variances.

Affirmative Decisions on Petitions for Modification

Docket No.: M-97-001-C.

FR Notice: 62 FR 11926.

Petitioner: Consolidation Coal Company.

Reg Affected: 30 CFR 75.1002.

Summary of Findings: Petitioner's proposal to use high-voltage (4,160 volt) cables inby the last open crosscut considered acceptable alternative method. Granted for the Shoemaker Mine with conditions for the 4,160-volt longwall equipment.

Docket No.: M-97-002-C.

FR Notice: 62 FR 11926.

Petitioner: Eastern Associated Coal Corporation.

Reg Affected: 30 CFR 75.364.

Summary of Findings: Petitioner's proposal states that a portion of the mine has been sealed thus eliminating the need for certain checkpoints; that checkpoints 3, 4, 7, and 8 are now