

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

[Docket No. ICR-97-36]

**Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Certification Records for Slings (29 CFR 1910.184)****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 (PRA 95) (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 impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed approval of the information collection requirements contained at 29 CFR 1910.184. The Agency 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.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before September 15, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments are to be submitted to the Docket Office, Docket No. ICR-97-36, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S.

Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210. Telephone: (202) 219-7894. Written comments limited to 10 pages or less in length may also be transmitted by facsimile to (202) 219-5046.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Richard Sauger, Directorate of Safety Standards Programs, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3605, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210. Telephone: (202) 219-7202, ext. 137. Copies of the referenced information collection request are available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office and will be mailed to persons who request copies by telephoning Theda Kenney at (202) 219-8061, ext. 100, or Barbara Bielaski at (202) 219-8076, ext. 142. For electronic copies of the Information Collection Request on the certification provisions in Slings, contact OSHA's WebPage on the Internet at <http://www.osha.gov/> and click on "standards."

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Background**

The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (the Act) authorizes the promulgation of such health and safety standards as are necessary or appropriate to provide safe or healthful employment and places of employment. The statute specifically authorizes information collection by employers as necessary or appropriate for the enforcement of the Act or for developing information regarding the causes and prevention of occupational injuries, illnesses, and accidents.

The sling proof test and repair certification records required in 29 CFR 1910.184 are necessary to assure compliance with the requirements for slings in general industry. Included in this standard are the requirements for: the proof testing of all new, repaired, or reconditioned alloy steel chain slings and the certification of that proof testing; the proof testing of all wire rope slings with welded end attachments and the certification of that proof testing; and the marking, tagging or certification of repair of metal mesh slings.

**II. Current Actions**

This notice requests an extension of the current Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of the certification requirements contained in 29 CFR 1910.184.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Agency:* U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

*Title:* Certification Records for Slings (29 CFR 1910.184).

*OMB Number:* 1218-

*Agency Number:* ICR-97-36.

*Frequency:* On Occasion.

*Affected Public:* State and local governments; Business or other for-profit.

*OMB Number:* 1218-

*Agency Number:* ICR-97-28.

*Affected Public:* State and local governments; Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 975,000.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 1,071.

*Average Time per Response:* 0.11 hours.

*Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs:* \$0.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 8th day of July 1997.

**John F. Martonik,**

*Acting Director, Directorate of Safety Standards Programs.*

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

[Docket Number ICR-97-43]

**Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Lead in Construction**

**AGENCY:** Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Department of Labor.

**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 Occupational Safety and Health Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the information collection request for the Lead in Construction 29 CFR

1926.62. 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 assumption 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 response.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted by September 15, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments are to be submitted to the Docket Office, Docket No. ICR-97-43, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20210, telephone (202) 219-7894. Written comments limited to 10 pages or fewer may also be transmitted by facsimile to (202) 219-5046.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Todd Owen, Directorate of Health Standards Programs, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3647, 200 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20210. Telephone: (202) 219-7075. Copies of the referenced information collection request are available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office and will be mailed to persons who request copies by telephoning Todd Owen at (202) 219-7075 or Barbara Bielaski at (202) 219-8076. For electronic copies of the Information Collection Request on Lead in Construction contact OSHA's WebPage on Internet at <http://www.osha.gov/> and click on standards.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

The purpose of the Lead in Construction Standard and its information collection requirements are to reduce occupational lead exposure in the construction industry. Lead exposure can result in both acute and chronic effects and can be fatal in severe cases of lead intoxication. Some of the health effects associated with lead

exposure include brain disorders which can lead to seizures, coma, and death; anemia; neurological problems; high blood pressure; Kidney problem; reproductive problems; and decreased red blood cell production. The Standard requires that employers establish and maintain a training and compliance program, and exposure monitoring and medical surveillance records. These records are used by employees, physicians, employers and OSHA to determine the effectiveness of the employers' compliance efforts.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Agency:* Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

*Title:* Lead in Construction 29 CFR 1926.62.

*OMB Number:* 1218-0189.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit, Federal government, State and Local governments.

*Total Respondents:* 147,073.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Total Responses:* 6,351,167.

*Average Time per Response:*

Approximately 0.286 hour.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 1,814,671.

*Total Annualized capital/startup costs:* 0.

*Total initial annual costs:* (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$87,087,005.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request. The comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: July 10, 1997.

**Ruth McCully,**

*Acting Deputy Director, Directorate of Health Standards Programs.*

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

[Docket No. 50-354]

**Public Service Electric & Gas Co.; Atlantic City Electric Co.; Hope Creek Generating Station; Partial Denial of Amendment to Facility Operating License and Opportunity for Hearing**

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has denied part of a request by Public Service Electric & Gas Company, (licensee) for an amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-57 issued to the licensee for operation of the Hope Creek Generating Station, located at the

licensee's site in Salem County, New Jersey. Notice of Consideration of Issuance of this amendment was published in the **Federal Register** on May, 1997 (62 FR 27798).

The purpose of the licensee's amendment request was to revise the Technical Specifications (TS) to change TS 3.6.5.3.2, "Filtration, Recirculation and Ventilation System (FRVS)," to provide an appropriate Limiting Condition for Operation and ACTION Statement that reflects the design basis for the FRVS. A second proposed change to TS 4.6.5.3.2b would permit the FRVS heaters to be OPERABLE rather than ON during the 31-day test. The change to TS 3.6.5.3.2 was found to be acceptable and issued as License Amendment No. 99 on July 9, 1997.

With regard to the proposed change to TS 4.6.5.3.2b, the NRC staff has concluded that the licensee's request cannot be granted. The licensee was notified of the Commission's denial of the proposed change by a letter dated July 9, 1997.

By August 15, 1997, the licensee may demand a hearing with respect to the denial described above. Any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding may file a written petition for leave to intervene.

A request for hearing or petition for leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, by the above date.

A copy of any petitions should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, and to M. J. Wetterhahn, Esquire, Winston and Strawn, 1400 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005-3502, attorney for the licensee.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated March 31, 1997, and (2) the Commission's letter to the licensee dated July 9, 1997.

These documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Pennsville Public Library, 190 S. Broadway, Pennsville, New Jersey 08070.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 9th day of July 1997.