

• Address 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) to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond.

The public may examine publicly available documents, including the public comment version of the supporting statement, at MSHA, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, VA 22209-3939. OMB clearance requests are available on MSHA's Web site at http:// www.msha.gov under "Rules & Regs" on the right side of the screen by selecting Information Collections Requests, Paperwork Reduction Act Supporting Statements. The document will be available on MSHA's Web site for 60 days after the publication date of this notice. Comments submitted in writing or in electronic form will be made available for public inspection. Because comments will not be edited to remove any identifying or contact information, MSHA cautions the commenter against including any information in the submission that should not be publicly disclosed. Questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this notice.

#### **III. Current Actions**

The information obtained from mine operators is used by MSHA during inspections to determine compliance with safety and health standards. MSHA has updated the data in respect to the number of respondents and responses, as well as the total burden hours and burden costs supporting this information collection extension request.

#### Summary

*Type of Review:* Extension. *Agency:* Mine Safety and Health

Administration. *Title:* Roof Control Plans for

Underground Coal Mines. OMB Number: 1219–0004.

*Affected Public:* Business or other forprofit.

*Cite/Reference/Form/etc:* 30 CFR

75.215, 75.220, 75.221, 75.222, 75.223. *Total Number of Respondents:* 549. *Frequency:* Various. *Total Number of Responses:* 3,151. *Total Burden Hours:* 15,564 hours. *Total Annual Cost Burden:* \$8,185. 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; they will also become a matter of public record.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A).

Dated: April 23, 2012. George F. Triebsch, Certifying Officer. [FR Doc. 2012–10134 Filed 4–26–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4510–43–P

#### **DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

#### Mine Safety and Health Administration

# Proposed Extension of Existing Information Collection; Underground Retorts

**AGENCY:** Mine Safety and Health Administration, Labor. **ACTION:** Request for public comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. 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 Mine Safety and Health Administration is soliciting comments concerning the extension of the information collection for 30 CFR 57.22401(b). The Office of Management and Budget last approved this information collection request on October 13, 2009.

**DATES:** All comments must be postmarked or received by midnight Eastern Time on June 26, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments concerning the information collection requirements of this notice must be clearly identified with "OMB 1219–0096" and sent to both the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA). Comments to MSHA may be sent by any of the methods listed below.

• Federal E-Rulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

• *Facsimile*: 202–693–9441, include "OMB 1219–0096" in the subject line of the message.

• *Regular Mail or Hand Delivery:* MSHA, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, VA 22209–3939. For hand delivery, sign in at the receptionist's desk on the 21st floor.

Comments to OMB may be sent by mail addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attn: Desk Officer for MSHA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Greg Moxness, Chief, Economic Analysis Division, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, MSHA, at *moxness.greg@dol.gov* (email); 202– 693–9440 (voice); or 202–693–9441 (facsimile).

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# I. Background

Section 103(h) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Mine Act), 30 U.S.C. 813, authorizes MSHA to collect information necessary to carry out its duty in protecting the safety and health of miners. Title 30 CFR 57.22401 sets forth the safety requirements for using a retort in underground metal and nonmetal I-A and I-B mines (those that operate within a combustible ore and either liberate methane or have the potential to liberate methane based on the history of the mine or the geological area in which the mine is located). At present, this applies only to underground oil shale mines. The standard requires that prior to ignition of underground retort; mine operators must submit a written ignition and operation plan to the appropriate MSHA District Manager which contains sitespecific safeguards and safety procedures for the underground areas of the mine which are affected by the retorts.

This information collection addresses the recordkeeping associated with: 30 CFR 57.22401(b) Underground Retorts (I–A and I–B mines).

# **II. Desired Focus of Comments**

MSHA is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the information collection related to underground retorts in Metal and Nonmetal I–A and I–B mines. MSHA is particularly interested in comments that:

• Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility;

• Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the

collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

• Suggest methods to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

• Address 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) to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond.

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#### **III. Current Actions**

The request for information contains provisions whereby mine operators can maintain compliance with the regulations and assure the safety of miners where underground retorts are used. MSHA has updated the data in respect to the number of respondents and responses, as well as the total burden hours and burden costs supporting this information collection extension request.

#### Summary

*Type of Review:* Extension. *Agency:* Mine Safety and Health Administration.

- *Title:* Underground Retorts.
- OMB Number: 1219–0096.
- *Affected Public:* Business or other forprofit.
- *Cite/Reference/Form/etc:* 30 CFR 57.22401.
  - Total Number of Respondents: 1.

Frequency: Infrequent. Total Number of Responses: 1. Total Burden Hours: 160 hours. Total Annual Cost Burden: \$ 0.0.

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; they will also become a matter of public record.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A).

Dated: April 23, 2012.

George F. Triebsch, Certifying Officer. [FR Doc. 2012–10135 Filed 4–26–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4510–43–P

# NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

# Advisory Committee for Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences; Notice of Meeting

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

Name: Advisory Committee for Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences (#1171). Date/Time: May 17, 2012; 8:30 a.m. to 5:30

p.m.; May 18, 2012; 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Stafford I, Room 1235, Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Open.

*Contact Person:* Ms. Lisa Jones, Office of the Assistant Director, Directorate for Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 905, Arlington, Virginia 22230, 703– 292–8700.

*Summary of Minutes:* May be obtained from contact person listed above.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations to the National Science Foundation on major goals and policies pertaining to Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences Directorate programs and activities.

Agenda: Agenda Topics (order of

discussion is subject to change). Updates and discussions on continuing activities:

- Discussion with NSF Director and Deputy Director
- SBE Advisory Committee—Subcommittee activities
- SMA Committee of Visitors (COV) Report
- NSF INSPIRE and I-Corps Initiatives
- Government-wide Big Data Initiative
- SBE data-related initiatives
- Innovation in SBE/NCSES
- NSF Merit Review CriteriaOn the Horizon

#### Dated: April 24, 2012. Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

# Sunshine Act Meetings; National Science Board

The National Science Board, pursuant to NSF regulations (45 CFR Part 614), the National Science Foundation Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1862n–5), and the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b), hereby gives notice in regard to the scheduling of meetings for the transaction of National Science Board business and other matters specified, as follows:

# **AGENCY HOLDING MEETING:** National Science Board.

**DATE AND TIME:** Wednesday, May 2, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Thursday, May 3, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and Friday, May 4, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** These meetings will be held at the National Science Foundation, 4201Wilson Blvd., Room 1235, Arlington, VA 22230. All visitors must contact the Board Office (call 703–292– 7000 or send an email message to *nationalsciencebrd@nsf.gov*) at least 24 hours prior to the meeting and provide name and organizational affiliation. All visitors must report to the NSF visitor desk located in the lobby at the 9th and N. Stuart Streets entrance to receive a visitor's badge.

**UPDATES:** Please refer to the National Science Board Web site *www.nsf.gov/ nsb* for additional information. Meeting information and schedule updates (time, place, subject matter or status of meeting) may be found at *http:// www.nsf.gov/nsb/notices/.* 

**AGENCY CONTACT:** Jennie L. Moehlmann, *jmoehlma@nsf.gov*, (703) 292–7000.

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS CONTACT:** Dana Topousis, *dtopousi@nsf.gov*, (703) 292–7750. **STATUS:** Portions open; portions closed.

## **Open Sessions**

May 2, 2012

9:00–11:00 a.m. 1:30–5:30 p.m.

May 3, 2012

8:00–9:30 a.m. 11:00–12:00 noon 1:00–2:00 p.m. 2:00–3:00 p.m.

May 4, 2012

9:15–10:15 a.m. 10:15–10:45 a.m. 10:45–11:45 a.m. 12:45–3:00 p.m.

#### **Closed Sessions**

May 2, 2012

11:00-12:00 noon