

will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until February 10, 2025.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have additional comments, particularly with respect to the estimated public burden or associated response time, have suggestions, need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or desire any additional information, please contact Assistant Chief Karl Slazer/Management Support Division, US Marshals Service Headquarters, 1215 S Clark St., Ste. 10005, Arlington, VA 22202–4387, by telephone at 703–740–2316 or by email at [karl.slazer@usdoj.gov](mailto:karl.slazer@usdoj.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** 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:

—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;
- Evaluate whether and if so how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; 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.

**Overview of This Information Collection**

1. *Type of Information Collection* (check justification or form 83): Extension without change or a currently approved collection.
2. *The Title of the Form/Collection:* Form CSO–005, Preliminary Background Check Form.
3. *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* Form number (if applicable): Form CSO–005.  
*Component:* U.S. Marshals Service, U.S. Department of Justice.
4. *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:*

*Primary:* Court Security Officers/ Special Security Officer (CSO/SSO) Applicants Other (if applicable): [None]  
*Abstract:* The CSO–005 Preliminary Background Check Form is used to collect applicant information for CSO/SSO positions. The applicant information provided to USMS from the Vendor gives information about which District and Facility the applicant will be working, the applicant’s personal information, prior employment verification, employment performance and current financial status. The information allows the selecting official to hire applicants with a strong history of employment performance and financial responsibility. The questions on this form have been developed from the OPM, MSPB and DOJ “Best Practice” guidelines for reference checking.  
5. *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* An estimated 750 respondents will utilize the form, and it will take each respondent approximately 60 minutes to complete the form.  
6. *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* The estimated annual public burden associated with this collection is 750 hours, which is equal to (750 (total # of annual responses) \* 1 (60 mins)).  
7. *An estimate of the total annual cost burden associated with the collection, if applicable:*

**TOTAL BURDEN HOURS**

Activity	Number of respondents	Frequency (annually)	Total annual responses	Time per response (min)	Total annual burden (hours)
Ex: Survey (individuals or households) .....	750	1	1000	60	750
Unduplicated Totals .....	1000	.....	1000	.....	750

*Estimated Total Annual Cost Burden:* \$14,651.00.

*If additional information is required contact:* Darwin Arceo, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street NE, 4W–218, Washington, DC.

Dated: December 5, 2024.

**Darwin Arceo,**  
*Department Clearance Officer for PRA, U.S. Department of Justice.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Employment and Training Administration**

**Notice of the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA) Credit Reductions Applicable for 2024**

Sections 3302(c)(2)(A) and 3302(d)(3) of FUTA provide that employers in a State that has outstanding advances under title XII of the Social Security Act on January 1 of two or more consecutive years are subject to a reduction in credits otherwise available against the FUTA tax for the calendar year in which the most recent such January 1 occurs, if advances remain on November 10 of

that year. Further, section 3302(c)(2)(C) of FUTA provides for an additional credit reduction for a year if a state has outstanding advances on five or more consecutive January 1 and has a balance on November 10 for such years. Section 3302(c)(2)(C) provides for waiver of this additional credit reduction and substitution of the credit reduction provided in section 3302(c)(2)(B) if a state meets certain conditions.

California, Connecticut, New York, and the US Virgin Islands (USVI) had outstanding advances on January 1 for two or more consecutive years and employers in these States were potentially subject to a FUTA credit reduction in 2024. Connecticut repaid

their outstanding advances before November 10, 2024, and as a result, employers in this state are not subject to a FUTA credit reduction for 2024. California and New York did not repay their outstanding advances before November 10, 2024, and had outstanding advances on January 1 for four consecutive years. Therefore, employers in California and New York are subject to a FUTA credit reduction of 0.9 percent for 2024.

USVI has had outstanding advances on January 1 for 15 consecutive years. As a result, employers in USVI were potentially liable for the additional credit reduction under section 3302(c)(2)(C) of FUTA. The jurisdiction applied for the waiver of this additional credit reduction and the Employment and Training Administration determined that USVI met each of the criteria necessary to qualify for the waiver of the additional credit reduction. Therefore, employers in USVI will have no additional credit reduction applied for calendar year 2024. However, because USVI has had an outstanding advance on each January 1 from 2010 through 2024, and maintained an outstanding balance on November 10, 2024, employers in USVI are subject to a FUTA credit reduction of 4.2 percent in 2024.

**José Javier Rodríguez,**

*Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### **Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Notification of Methane Detected in Underground Metal and Nonmetal Mine Atmospheres**

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting this Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA)-sponsored information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). Public comments on the ICR are invited.

**DATES:** The OMB will consider all written comments that the agency receives on or before January 9, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed

information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Michael Howell by telephone at 202–693–6782, or by email at [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Title 30 CFR 57.22004(c) requires operators of underground M/NM mines to notify the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) as soon as possible if any of the following events occur: (a) there is an outburst that results in 0.25 percent or more methane in the mine atmosphere, (b) there is a blowout that results in 0.25 percent or more methane in the mine atmosphere, (c) there is an ignition of methane, or (d) air sample results indicate 0.25 percent or more methane in the mine atmosphere of a I–B, I–C, II–B, V–B, or Category VI mine. Under §§ 57.22239 and 57.22231, if methane reaches 2.0 percent in a Category IV mine or if methane reaches 0.25 percent in the mine atmosphere of a Subcategory I–B, II–B, V–B, or VI mine, MSHA shall be notified immediately. Although the standards do not specify how MSHA is to be notified, MSHA anticipates that the notifications would be made by telephone.

Title 30 CFR 57.22229 and 57.22230 require that the mine atmosphere be tested for methane and/or carbon dioxide at least once every seven days by a competent person or atmospheric monitoring system or a combination of both. Section 57.2229 applies to underground M/NM mines categorized as I–A, III, and V–A mines where the atmosphere is tested for both methane and carbon dioxide. Section 57.22230 applies to underground M/NM mines categorized as II–A mines where the atmosphere is tested for methane. Where examinations disclose hazardous conditions, affected miners must be informed. Title 30 CFR 57.22229(d) and 57.22230(c) require that the person performing the tests certify by signature and date that the tests have been conducted. Certifications of examinations shall be kept for at least one year and made available to authorized representatives of the Secretary of Labor. For additional substantive information about this ICR, see the related notice published in the **Federal Register** on August 15, 2024 (89 FR 66454).

*Comments are invited on:* (1) whether the collection of information is

necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency’s estimates of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless the OMB approves it and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid OMB Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6.

*Agency:* DOL–MSHA.

*Title of Collection:* Notification of Methane Detected in Underground Metal and Nonmetal Mine Atmospheres.

*OMB Control Number:* 1219–0103.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profits.

*Number of Respondents:* 4.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Number of Responses:* 213.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 18 hours.

*Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden:* \$0.

(Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D))

**Michael Howell,**

*Senior Paperwork Reduction Act Analyst.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### **Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Diesel-Powered Equipment in Underground Coal Mines**

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting this Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA)-sponsored information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995