

proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) 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;

(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

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* New Collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Survey of Best Practices for Hiring and Retention of Female and Minority Law Enforcement Officers.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* None. Bureau of Justice Assistance, United States Department of Justice.

(4) *Affected public who will be as or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Local Law Enforcement Agency Other: None. 42 USC 3760 [Sec. 510.] Purposes (a)(4) providing financial assistance to public agencies and private nonprofit organizations for demonstration programs which, in view of previous research or experience, are likely to be a success in more than one jurisdiction.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply:* The time burden of the 800 respondents to complete the survey is 35 minutes per application.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* The total annual hour burden to complete survey is approximately 400 hours.

If additional information is required contact: Ms. Brenda E. Dyer, Deputy Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management and Security Staff Justice Management Division, Suite 1220, National Place Building, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Clean Air Act

In accordance with Departmental policy, 28 C.F.R. 50.7, and section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act, ("Act") 42 U.S.C. § 7413(g), notice is hereby given that on February 17, 2000, a proposed consent decree in *United States v. Pan American Grain Manufacturing Co., Inc.*, ("PAGM") Civil Action No. 98-1197 (JP) was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico.

The proposed consent decree resolves the United States' claims against PAGM for violations of the Act and the requirements or prohibitions of the State Implementation Plan for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("SIP"), promulgated pursuant to Section 110 of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7410, regarding particulate emissions from PAGM's grain handling and processing facilities in the Guaynabo, Puerto Rico area. Under the terms of the proposed consent decree, PAGM will pay a civil penalty of \$410,000.00 to the United States, complete performance testing to demonstrate full compliance with the SIP regulations at each of its facilities, comply with operation standards prescribed by the proposed consent decree, file quarterly reports regarding its compliance efforts, and maintain compliance with the Act and the applicable SIP.

The Department of Justice will receive for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General of the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Pan American Grain Manufacturing Co., Inc.*, DOJ Ref. No. 90-5-2-1-2133.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney for the District of Puerto Rico, Federico Degeteau Federal Building, Carlos Chardon Avenue, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico 00918, and at the Region II Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 290 Broadway, New York, New York, 10007. A copy of the proposed consent decree may also be obtained by mail from the Department of Justice Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611. In requesting a copy, please enclose a check, payable to the Consent Decree Library in the amount of \$9.50 (25 cents per page reproduction costs) for the proposed consent decree alone, or

\$72.00 for the proposed consent decree with all attachments.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

February 22, 2000.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of each individual ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor. To obtain documentation for BLS, ETA, PWBA, and OASAM contact Karin Kurz ((202) 219-5096 ext. 159 or by E-mail to Kurz-Karin@dol.gov). To obtain documentation for ESA, MSHA, OSHA, and VETS contact Darrin King ((202) 219-5096 ext. 151 or by E-Mail to King-Darrin@dol.gov).

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for BLS, DM, ESA, ETA, MSHA, OSHA, PWBA, or VETS, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 ((202) 395-7316), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB 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,