

granted for a first briefing extension will generally be reduced from 21 days to 15 days, and the number of extension requests granted will generally be reduced from one per party to one per case.

**DATES:** This notice is effective on August 14, 2006.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

MaryBeth Keller, General Counsel, Executive Office for Immigration Review, 5107 Leesburg Pike, Suite 2600, Falls Church, Virginia 22041; telephone (703) 305-0470 (not a toll free call).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Board of Immigration Appeals (Board) has the authority to set and extend briefing deadlines in all cases pending before it. 8 CFR 1003.3(c). The regulations state that in cases involving aliens in custody, the parties shall be provided 21 days in which to file simultaneous briefs unless a shorter period is specified by the Board. *Id.* In cases involving aliens who are not in custody, the briefing period is also 21 days, but the briefing period is sequential. *Id.* The regulations state that the Board, upon written motion, may extend the period for filing a brief for up to 90 days for good cause shown. *Id.* While the regulations do not limit the briefing extension period any further, the Board has established a policy for briefing extension requests in the Board of Immigration Appeals Practice Manual.\

The Board Practice Manual provides that the filing of an extension request does not automatically extend the briefing deadline, and until the Board affirmatively grants an extension request, the existing deadline still stands. Practice Manual Chapter 4.7(c). Prior to the publication of this Notice, the Practice Manual did not distinguish between detained and non-detained aliens with regard to briefing extension requests. The Practice Manual provided that, as a matter of policy, the Board would grant one extension per party, and that party was given an additional 21 days in which to file a briefs regardless of the time requested. Practice Manual Chapter 4.7(c)(i). Those 21 days were added to the original filing deadline for both parties.

In an effort to further reduce the amount of time a detained alien is in proceedings, the Board is revising this general policy and procedure. In the future, when an alien is in detention, the Board will, as a matter of policy and procedure, ordinarily grant one extension request per case for 15 days. A first extension request from either party, if granted, will extend the briefing deadline for both parties. If the opposing party thereafter submits an

extension request, it will be considered a second extension request. As noted in the Board Practice Manual, second extension requests are only granted in rare circumstances. The Board's policy as set forth in Practice Manual Chapter 4.7(c)(i) will accordingly be amended to reflect this change.

At present, because briefing is simultaneous, extension requests from both parties are often filed within days of each other. The result is that the Board routinely and unnecessarily grants two extension requests. The Board's new general policy will be to limit briefing extensions to one per case for detained aliens due to difficulties with administering briefing requests from both parties. This change will eliminate these unintended delays. The Board will continue to accept reply briefs filed within 14 days after expiration of the briefing schedule, though the Board will not suspend or delay adjudication of the appeal in anticipation of the filing of a reply brief.

Dated: July 6, 2006.

**Lori Scialabba,**

*Chairman, Board of Immigration Appeals.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request

July 10, 2006.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public 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 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting Darrin King on 202-693-4129 (this is not a toll-free number) or e-mail: [king.darrin@dol.gov](mailto:king.darrin@dol.gov).

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Employment Standards Administration (ESA), Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, 202-395-7316 (this is not a toll-free number), 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, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

*Agency:* Employment Standards Administration.

*Type of Review:* Extension of currently approved collection.

*Title:* Health Insurance Claim Form.

*OMB Number:* 1215-0055.

*Form Number:* OWCP-1500.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Type of Response:* Reporting.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; Note-for-profit institutions; and Individuals or households.

*Number of Respondents:* 735,000.

*Estimated Annual Responses:* 2,940,000.

*Average Response Time:* 7 minutes.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 342,908.

*Total Annualized capital/startup costs:* \$0.

*Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services):* \$0.

*Description:* The Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) is the agency responsible for administration of the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA), 5 U.S.C. 8101, *et seq.*, the Black Lung Benefits Act (BLBA), 30 U.S.C. 901 *et seq.* and the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (EEOICPA), 42 U.S.C. 7384 *et seq.* All three of these statutes require that OWCP pay for medical treatment of beneficiaries; BLBA also requires that OWCP pay for medical examinations and related diagnostic services to determine eligibility for benefits under that statute. In order to determine whether billed amounts are appropriate, OWCP needs to identify the patient, the injury or illness that was treated or diagnosed, the specific services that are rendered and their relationship to the work-related injury or illness. The regulations implementing these statutes require the use of Form OWCP-1500 for medical bills submitted by certain

physicians and other providers (20 CFR 10.801, 30.701, 725.405, 725.406, 725.701 and 725.704). The OWCP-1500 is used by OWCP and contractor bill payment staff to process bills for medical services provided by medical professionals other than medical services provided by hospitals, pharmacies, and certain other providers.

**Darrin A. King,**

*Acting Departmental Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request

July 3, 2006.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public 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 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting Ira Mills at the Department of Labor on 202-693-4122 (this is not a toll-free number) or E-Mail: [Mills.Ira@dol.gov](mailto:Mills.Ira@dol.gov). This ICR can also be accessed online at <http://www.doleta.gov/OMBCN/OMBControlNumber.cfm>.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for ETA, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, 202-395-7316 (this is not a toll free number), 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
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technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

*Agency:* Employment and Training Administration (ETA)

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Title:* Weekly Claims and Extended Benefits Data and Weekly Initial and Continued Weeks Claimed.

*OMB Number:* 1205-0028.

*Frequency:* Weekly.

*Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Government.

*Type of Response:* Reporting.

*Number of Respondents:* 53.

*Annual Responses:* 5512.

*Average Response Time:* 80 minutes.

*Total Annual Burden Hours:* 3,675.

*Total Annualized Capital/Startup*

*Costs:* 0.

*Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services):* 0.

*Description:* Data are necessary for the determination of the beginning, continuance, or termination of an Extended Benefit period in any State, which determine the EB trigger rate. Also, data on initial and continued claims are used to help determine economic indicators.

**Ira L. Mills,**

*Departmental Clearance Officer/Team Leader.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request

July 6, 2006.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public 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 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting Darrin King on 202-693-4129 (this is not a toll-free number) or e-mail: [king.darrin@dol.gov](mailto:king.darrin@dol.gov).

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA), Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, 202-395-7316 (this is not a toll-free number), within 30 days from the

date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

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*Agency:* Mine Safety and Health Administration.

*Type of Review:* Extension of currently approved collection.

*Title:* Ground Control Plan.

*OMB Number:* 1219-0026.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Type of Response:* Reporting.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 925.

*Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 313.

*Average Response Time:* 9 hours to develop a new plan and 6 hours to revise an existing plan.

*Estimated Annual Burden Hours:* 2,721.

*Total Annualized capital/startup costs:* \$0.

*Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services):* \$498.

*Description:* Each operator of a surface coal mine is required under 30 CFR 77.1000 to establish and follow a ground control plan that is consistent with prudent engineering design and which will ensure safe working conditions. The plans are based on the type of strata expected to be encountered, the height and angle of highwalls and spoil banks, and the equipment to be used at the mine. Ground control plans are required by 30 CFR 77.1000-1 to be filed with the MSHA district Manager in the district in which the mine is located. The plans are reviewed by MSHA to ensure that highwalls, pits, and spoil banks are maintained in safe condition