

information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment Standards Administration

#### Proposed Extension of the Approval of Information Collection Requirements

**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 Employment Standards Administration is soliciting comments concerning its proposal to extend OMB approval of the information collection: Notice of Controversion of Right to Compensation (LS-207). A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addresses section of this Notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addresses section below on or before September 2, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Ms. Hazel M. Bell, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave., NW., Room S-3201, Washington, DC 20210, telephone (202) 693-0418, fax (202) 693-1451, E-mail [bell.hazel@dol.gov](mailto:bell.hazel@dol.gov). Please use only one method of transmission for comments (mail, fax, or E-mail).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**I. Background:** The Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) administers the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act (LHWCA). The Act provides benefits to workers

injured in maritime employment on the navigable waters of the United States or in an adjoining areas customarily used by an employer in loading, unloading, repairing or building a vessel. In addition, several acts extend Longshore Act coverage to certain other employees. Pursuant to section 914(d) of the Longshore Act, and 20 CFR 702.251, if an employer controverts the right to compensation, he/she shall file with the district director in the affected compensation district on or before the fourteenth day after he/she has knowledge of the alleged injury or death, a notice, in accordance with a form prescribed by the Secretary, stating that the right to compensation is controverted. Form LS-207 has been designated for this purpose. Form LS-207 is used by insurance carriers and self-insured employers to controvert claims under the Longshore Act and extensions. The information is used by OWCP district offices to determine the basis for not paying benefits in a case. This information collection is currently approved for use through December 31, 2008.

**II. Review Focus:** 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 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.

**III. Current Actions:** The Department of Labor seeks the approval for the extension of this currently approved information collection in order to carry out its responsibility to meet the statutory requirements to provide compensation or death benefits under the Act to workers covered under the Act.

**Type of Review:** Extension.

**Agency:** Employment Standards Administration.

**Titles:** Notice of Controversion of Right to Compensation.

**OMB Number:** 1215-0023.

**Agency Numbers:** LS-207.

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

**Total Respondents:** 700.

**Total Annual responses:** 17,500.

**Estimated Total Burden Hours:** 4,375.

**Estimated Time Per Response:** 15 minutes.

**Frequency:** On Occasion.

**Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):** \$0.

**Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance):** \$8,662.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or 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.

**Hazel M. Bell,**

*Acting Chief, Branch of Management Review and Internal Control, Division of Financial Management, Office of Management, Administration and Planning, Employment Standards Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. OSHA-2008-0014]

#### Acrylonitrile Standard; Extension of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Approval of Information Collection (Paperwork) Requirements

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

**ACTION:** Request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** OSHA solicits public comment concerning its proposal to extend OMB approval of the information collection requirements specified by the Acrylonitrile Standard (29 CFR 1910.1045).

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted (postmarked, sent, or received) by September 2, 2008.

**ADDRESSES: Electronically:** You may submit comments and attachments electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov>, which is the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Follow the instructions online for submitting comments.

**Facsimile:** If your comments, including attachments, are not longer than 10 pages, you may fax them to the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693-1648.

**Mail, hand delivery, express mail, messenger, or courier service:** When

using this method, you must submit three copies of your comments and attachments to the OSHA Docket Office, Docket No. OSHA-2008-0014, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. Deliveries (hand, express mail, messenger, and courier service) are accepted during the Department of Labor's and Docket Office's normal business hours, 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., e.t.

**Instructions:** All submissions must include the Agency name and OSHA docket number for the Information Collection Request (ICR) (OSHA-2008-0014). All comments, including any personal information you provide, are placed in the public docket without change, and may be made available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>. For further information on submitting comments see the "Public Participation" heading in the section of this notice titled **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**Docket:** To read or download comments or other material in the docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> or the OSHA Docket Office at the address above. All documents in the docket (including this **Federal Register** notice) are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index; however, some information (e.g., copyrighted material) is not publicly available to read or download through the Web site. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection and copying at the OSHA Docket Office. You may also contact Jamaa Hill at the address below to obtain a copy of the ICR.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jamaa N. Hill or Todd Owen, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3609, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693-2222.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. Background**

The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent (i.e., employer) burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing information collection requirements in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA-95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

This program ensures that information is in the desired format, reporting burden (time and costs) is

minimal, collection instruments are clearly understood, and OSHA's estimate of the information collection burden is accurate. The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (the Act) (29 U.S.C. 651 *et seq.*) authorizes information collection by employers as necessary or appropriate for enforcement of the Act or for developing information regarding the causes and prevention of occupational injuries, illnesses, and accidents (29 U.S.C. 657). The Act also requires that OSHA obtain such information with minimum burden upon employers, especially those operating small businesses, and to reduce to the maximum extent feasible unnecessary duplication of efforts in obtaining information (29 U.S.C. 657).

The information collection requirements specified in the Acrylonitrile (AN) Standard protect employees from the adverse health effects that may result from their exposure to AN. The major information collection requirements of the AN Standard include notifying employees of their AN exposures, implementing a written compliance program, providing examining physicians with specific information, ensuring that employees receive a copy of their medical examination results, maintaining employees' exposure monitoring and medical records for specific periods, and providing access to these records by OSHA, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, the affected employees, and designated representatives.

##### **II. Special Issues for Comment**

OSHA has a particular interest in comments on the following issues:

- Whether the proposed information collection requirements are necessary for the proper performance of the Agency's functions, including whether the information is useful;
- The accuracy of OSHA's estimate of the burden (time and costs) of the information collection requirements, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- The quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and
- Ways to minimize the burden on employers who must comply; for example, by using automated or other technological information collection and transmission techniques.

##### **III. Proposed Actions**

OSHA is proposing to extend the information collection requirements contained in the Acrylonitrile Standard (29 CFR 1910.1045). The Agency is requesting to decrease its current burden hour total from 3,237 hours to

3,166 for a total decrease of 71 hours. The adjustment is primarily a result of a decrease in the total number of affected employees (from 3,376 to 3,301). The Agency will summarize the comments submitted in response to this notice, and will include this summary in the request to OMB to extend the approval of the information collection requirements contained in the Standard. The Agency will summarize the comments submitted in response to this notice and will include this summary in the request to OMB.

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

**Title:** Acrylonitrile Standard (29 CFR 1910.1045).

**OMB Number:** 1218-0126.

**Affected Public:** Business or other for-profits; Federal Government; State, Local or Tribal Government.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

**Average Time per Response:** Varies from 5 minutes (.08 hour) to provide information to the examining physician to 1 hour to conduct exposure monitoring.

**Estimated Total Burden Hours:** 3,166.

**Estimated Cost (Operation and Maintenance):** \$180,946.

#### **IV. Public Participation—Submission of Comments on This Notice and Internet Access to Comments and Submissions**

You may submit comments in response to this document as follows:

(1) Electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov>, which is the Federal eRulemaking Portal; (2) by facsimile (FAX); or (3) by hard copy. All comments, attachments, and other material must identify the Agency name and the OSHA docket number for the ICR (Docket No. OSHA-2008-0014). You may supplement electronic submissions by uploading document files electronically. If you wish to mail additional materials in reference to an electronic or facsimile submission, you must submit them to the OSHA Docket Office (see the section of this notice titled **ADDRESSES**). The additional materials must clearly identify your electronic comments by your name, date, and the docket number so the Agency can attach them to your comments.

Because of security procedures, the use of regular mail may cause a significant delay in the receipt of comments. For information about security procedures concerning the delivery of materials by hand, express delivery, messenger, or courier service, please contact the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693-2350 (TTY (877) 889-5627).

Comments and submissions are posted without change at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Therefore, OSHA cautions commenters about submitting personal information such as social security numbers and date of birth. Although all submissions are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index, some information (e.g., copyrighted material) is not publicly available to read or download through this Web site. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection and copying at the OSHA Docket Office. Information on using the <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site to submit comments and access the docket is available at the Web site's "User Tips" link. Contact the OSHA Docket Office for information about materials not available through the Web site, and for assistance in using the Internet to locate docket submissions.

#### V. Authority and Signature

Edwin G. Foulke, Jr., Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice. The authority for this notice is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506 *et seq.*) and Secretary of Labor's Order No. 5-2007 (72 FR 31159).

Signed at Washington, DC, on June 26, 2008.

**Edwin G. Foulke, Jr.,**

*Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.*

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#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

##### Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub L. 95-541)

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice of Permit Applications Received under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Public Law 95-541.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permit applications received to conduct activities regulated under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. NSF has published regulations under the Antarctic Conservation Act at Title 45 Part 670 of the Code of Federal Regulations. This is the required notice of permit applications received.

**DATES:** Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application by August 1, 2008. This application may be inspected by

interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Nadene G. Kennedy at the above address or (703) 292-7405.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541), as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996, has developed regulations for the establishment of a permit system for various activities in Antarctica and designation of certain animals and certain geographic areas requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

The applications received are as follows:

1. *Applicant:* Kristin M. O'Brien, Institute of Arctic Biology, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, P.O. Box 757000, Fairbanks, AK 99775-7000.

Permit Application No. 2009-011.

##### Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

Take and Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas. The applicant plans to conduct fishing of benthic trawls and fish traps/pots to study the physiology and biochemistry of Antarctic fishes, with particular emphasis on Channichthyid ice fishes. Collection of specimens will be carried out on the ARSV L.M. Gould and transported back to the aquarium facilities at Palmer Station for experimentation. Animal capture by benthic Otter trawling is restricted to only those areas of bottom known to be relatively flat and muddy, in order to avoid damage to the net. There are a very limited number of locations that meet the criteria, such as ASPA 152—Western Bransfield Strait of Low Island, and ASPA 153—Eastern Dallman Bay off Brabant Island.

##### Location

ASPA 152—Western Bransfield Strait of Low Island, and ASPA 153—Eastern Dallman Bay off Brabant Island.

##### Dates

April 1, 2008 to July 1, 2011.

**Nadene G. Kennedy,**

*Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs.*

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#### NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

##### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

**ACTION:** Notice of the OMB review of information collection and solicitation of public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The NRC has recently submitted to OMB for review the following proposal for the collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The NRC hereby informs potential respondents that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and that a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The NRC published a **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period on this information collection on March 31, 2008.

1. *Type of submission, new, revision, or extension:* Extension.
2. *The title of the information collection:* NRC Form 354, "Data Report on Spouse."
3. *Current OMB approval number:* 3150-0026.
4. *The form number if applicable:* NRC Form 354.
5. *How often the collection is required:* On occasion.
6. *Who will be required or asked to report:* NRC contractors, licensees, applicants and others (e.g. intervenor's) who marry or cohabitate after completing the Personnel Security Forms, or after having been granted an NRC access authorization or employment clearance.
7. *An estimate of the number of annual responses:* 60.
8. *The estimated number of annual respondents:* 60.
9. *An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* 12 hours (0.2 hours per response).
10. *Abstract:* NRC Form 354 must be completed by NRC contractors, licensees, and applicants who marry or cohabitate after completing the Personnel Security Forms, or after having been granted an NRC access authorization or employment clearance. Form 354 identifies the respondent, the marriage, and data on the spouse and spouse's parents. This information permits the NRC to make initial security determinations and to assure there is no increased risk to the common defense and security.