

Each of the local sites that participated in the study operated all three of these ITA approaches. Local customers that were determined eligible for an ITA were randomly assigned to one of the approaches.

The evaluation of the ITA experiment includes an analysis of the implementation and operation of the three ITA approaches, based on data collected during three rounds of visits to the six sites participating in the experiment. The evaluation also consists of an analysis of customer outcomes and the returns on the investment in training. This analysis will focus on the differences in customer outcomes, such as training choices, employment, and earnings, generated by the three ITA approaches.

*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:* This is a notice to extend the collection period that is currently approved by OMB (1205-0446 expires October 31, 2006).

The follow-up survey will collect data items unavailable from administrative

records. It will provide more detailed information on training and employment outcomes than UI wage records and more detailed information on household composition and other demographic characteristics. The follow-up survey will be the only source for data on: perceptions of and attitudes toward the services and levels of customer choice provided by each ITA approach, job search behavior after random assignment, and characteristics of post-training jobs.

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

*Agency:* Employment and Training Administration.

*Title:* Evaluation of the Individual Training Account Experiment

OMB Number: 1205-0441.

*Affected Public:* Individuals of households.

*Total Respondents:* 3,840.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 1,920.

| Cite/reference             | Total respondents | Frequency      | Average time per response | Burden       |
|----------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| ITA Follow-up survey ..... | 3,840             | One time ..... | 30 min .....              | 1,920 hours. |

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

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining):* \$0.

Comments submitted in response to this comment request 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.

Dated: July 19, 2006.

**Maria K. Flynn,**

*Administrator, Office of Policy Development and Research.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Mine Safety and Health Administration

#### Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; Escape and Evacuation Plans

**ACTION:** Notice.

**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/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 Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is soliciting comments concerning the extension of the information collection related to the 30 CFR 77.1101; Escape and Evacuation Plans.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before September 25, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to U.S. Department of Labor, Mine Safety and Health Administration, John Rowlett, Director, Management Services Division, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2134, Arlington, VA 22209-3939. Commenters are encouraged to send their comments on a computer disk, or via Internet e-mail to [Rowlett.John@dol.gov](mailto:Rowlett.John@dol.gov), along with an original printed copy. Mr. Rowlett can be reached at (202) 693-9827 (voice), or (202) 693-9801 (facsimile).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact the employee listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

Section 77.1101(a) requires operators of surface coal mines and surface work areas of underground coal mines to establish and keep current a specific escape and evacuation plan to be followed in the event of a fire.

Section 77.1101(b) requires that all employees be instructed in current escape and evacuation plans, fire alarm signals, and applicable procedures to be followed in case of fire. The training and record keeping requirements associated with this standard are addressed under OMB No. 1219-0070 (Certificate of Training, MSHA Form 5000-23).

Section 77.1101(c) requires escape and evacuation plans to include the designation and proper maintenance of an adequate means for exiting areas where persons are required to work or travel including buildings, equipment, and areas where persons normally congregate during the work shift.

While escape and evacuation plans are not subject to approval by MSHA district managers, MSHA inspectors evaluate the adequacy of the plans during their inspections of surface coal

mines and surface work areas of underground coal mines.

## II. Desired Focus of Comments

MSHA is particularly interested in comments that:

- 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.

A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the employee listed in the For Further Information Contact section of this notice, or viewed on the Internet by accessing the MSHA home page (<http://www.msha.gov>) and then choosing "Statutory and Regulatory Information" and "Federal Register Documents."

## III. Current Actions

MSHA proposes to continue the information collection requirement related to escape and evacuation plans for surface coal mines and surface work areas of underground coal mines for an additional 3 years. MSHA believes that eliminating these requirements would expose miners to unnecessary risk of injury or death should a fire occur at or near their work location.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Agency:* Mine Safety and Health Administration.

*Title:* Escape and Evacuation Plans.  
*OMB Number:* 1219-0051.

*Recordkeeping:* Indefinite.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

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

*Respondents:* 348.

*Responses:* 348.

*Total Burden Hours:* 1,680 hours.

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining):* \$0.

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.

Dated at Arlington, Virginia, this 18th day of July, 2006.

**David L. Meyer,**

*Director, Office of Administration and Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Mine Safety and Health Administration

#### **Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; Daily Inspection of Surface Coal Mine; Certified Person; Reports of Inspection (Pertains to Surface Coal Mines)**

**ACTION:** Notice.

**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/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 Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is soliciting comments concerning the extension of the information collection related to the 30 CFR 77.1713; Daily Inspection of Surface Coal Mine; Certified Person; Reports of Inspection.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before September 25, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to U.S. Department of Labor, Mine Safety and Health Administration, John Rowlett, Director, Management Services Division, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2134, Arlington, VA 22209-3939. Commenters are encouraged to send their comments on a computer disk, or via Internet E-mail to [Rowlett.John@dol.gov](mailto:Rowlett.John@dol.gov), along with an original printed copy. Mr. Rowlett can be reached at (202) 693-9827 (voice), or (202) 693-9801 (facsimile).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Contact the employee listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

## I. Background

Section 77.1713 requires coal mine operators to conduct examinations of each active working area of surface mines, active surface installations at these mines, and preparation plants not associated with underground coal mines for hazardous conditions during each shift. A report of hazardous conditions detected must be entered into a record book along with a description of any corrective actions taken.

## II. Desired Focus of Comments

MSHA is particularly interested in comments that:

- 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.

A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the employee listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice, or viewed on the Internet by accessing the MSHA home page (<http://www.msha.gov>) and then choosing "Statutory and Regulatory Information" and "Federal Register Documents."

## III. Current Actions

Under 30 CFR 77.1713, coal mine operators to conduct examinations of each active working area of surface mines, active surface installations at these mines, and preparation plants not associated with underground coal mines for hazardous conditions during each shift. A report of hazardous conditions detected must be entered into a record book along with a description of any corrective actions taken.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Agency:* Mine Safety and Health Administration.

*Title:* Daily Inspection of Surface Coal Mine; Certified Person; Reports of Inspection.