

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Mine Safety and Health Administration****Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; Record of Individual Exposure to Radon Daughters****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.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before October 22, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to, Debbie Ferraro, Management Services Division, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2171, Arlington, VA 22209-3939. Commenters are encouraged to send their comments on computer disk, or via E-mail to [Ferraro.Debbie@DOL.GOV](mailto:Ferraro.Debbie@DOL.GOV). Ms. Ferraro can be reached at (202) 693-9821 (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**

MSHA's primary goal is the protection of America's most precious mining resource, the miner. To achieve this goal, this agency has to keep information regarding the hazards faced and the progress made within the industry to develop and maintain a safe and healthy work environment. Records concerning the health and welfare of miners are especially important, given that the nature of the exposure could result in medical complications later in the miner's life. To this end, the record keeping of Radon Daughters is essential information. Each year the industry records and reports the exposure levels that its workforce has faced during the past 12 months. This information is archived and stored for retrieval by the exposed party, or legal representative, should a medical release be deemed

necessary. This reporting of the exposure numbers also serves to inform MSHA of the industry expansion or decrease as well as health threats incurred.

Concurrently, the United States economy is calling for production rates that are lower than those in recent years. Regardless of the number of miners exposed, MSHA needs to keep the recording requirements for Radon Daughters to ensure that the records regarding the miners' level of exposure today is available to them tomorrow and throughout their lifetimes.

**II. Desired Focus**

Currently, the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the information collection related to the Record of Individual Exposure to Radon Daughters. MSHA 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.

A copy of the proposed information collection request may be viewed on the internet by accessing the MSHA home page (<http://www.msha.gov/>) and choosing "Rules and Regs", then choosing "Fed Reg Docs."

**III. Current Actions**

Currently, the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the information collection related to provide miners protection from radon daughter exposure.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Agency:* Mine Safety and Health Administration.

*Title:* Record of Individual Exposure to Radon Daughters.

*OMB Number:* 1219-0003.

*Agency Form Number:* MSHA 4000-9.

*Frequency:* Weekly.

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

*Total Burden Respondents:* 2.

*Total Number of Responses:* 100.

*Total Burden Hours:* 300.

*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 16th day of August, 2007.

**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; Training Plans and Certificate of Training****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.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before October 22, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Debbie Ferraro, Management Services Division, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2171, Arlington, VA 22209-3939. Commenters are encouraged to send their comments on computer disk, or via Internet e-mail to [Ferraro.Debbie@DOL.GOV](mailto:Ferraro.Debbie@DOL.GOV). Ms. Ferraro can be reached at (202) 693-9821 (voice), or (202) 693-9801 (facsimile).

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Background**

The Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Mine Act) recognizes that the role of education and training in the improvement of miner health and safety is an important element of federal efforts to make the nation's mines safer places in which to work. Section 115(a) of the Mine Act states that "each operator of a coal or other mine shall have a health and safety program which shall be approved by the Secretary." Title 30, CFR 48.3 and 48.23 specifically address the requirements for training plans. Section 115(a) of the Mine Act requires that each mine operator have a program approved by the Secretary for training miners in the health and safety aspects of mining. Section 115(c) requires (a) That the mine operator certify on a form approved by the Secretary that the miner has received the specified training in each subject area of the approved health and safety training plan; (b) that the certificates be maintained by the operator and be available for inspection at the mine site; and (c) that the miner is entitled to a copy of the certificate upon completion of the training and when he leaves the operator's employ. Title 30, CFR Part 48 implements Section 115 of the Act by setting forth the requirements for obtaining approval of training programs and specifying the kinds of training, including refresher and hazard training, which must be provided to the miners. The standards are intended to ensure that miners will be effectively trained and certified in matters affecting their health and safety, with the ultimate goal being the reduction of frequency and severity of the injuries in the nation's mines.

**II. Desired Focus of Comments**

Currently, the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the information collection related to Training Plans. MSHA 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.

A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the employee listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice or viewed on the internet by accessing the MSHA home page (<http://www.msha.gov/>) and selecting "Rules and Regs", then selecting "Fed Reg Docs."

**III. Current Actions**

Approved training plans are used to implement training programs for training new miners, training experienced miners, training miners for new tasks, annual refresher training, and hazard training. The plans are also used by MSHA to ensure that all miners are receiving the training necessary to perform their jobs in a safe manner. MSHA Form 5000-23, Certificate of Training, is used by mine operators to record mandatory training received by miners. Each form provides the mine operator with a recordkeeping document, the miner with a certificate of training, and MSHA a monitoring tool for determining compliance requirements. Currently the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the information collection related to Training Plans and Certificates of Training.

*Type of Review:* Extension of Currently Approved Collection.

*Agency:* Mine Safety and Health Administration.

*Title:* Training Plans and Certificate of Training.

*OMB Number:* 1219-0009 Extension.

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

*Frequency:* Annually and On Occasion.

*Number of Respondents:* 3,216.

*Number of Annual Responses:* 115,395.

*Total Burden Hours:* 13,287.

*Total Annual Cost:* \$245,144.

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 16th day of August, 2007.

**David L. Meyer,**

*Director, Office of Administration and Management.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Occupational Safety and Health Administration**

[Docket No. OSHA-2007-0018]

**Logging Operations; 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 in its Standard on Logging Operations (29 CFR 1910.266).

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted (postmarked, sent, or received) by October 22, 2007.

**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, OSHA Docket No. OSHA-2007-0018, 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., EST.

*Instructions:* All submissions must include the Agency name and OSHA docket number for the ICR (OSHA-2007-0018). 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>.