

Dated: February 11, 2011.

Roslyn B. Fontaine,

*Acting Director, Office of Standards,
Regulations and Variances, Certifying Officer.*

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

[OMB Control No. 1219-0015]

Proposed Extension of Existing Information Collection; Refuse Piles and Impoundment Structures, Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements

AGENCY: Mine Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor.

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments.

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 continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps to assure 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 for 30 CFR 77.215(j), 77.215-2, 77.215-3, 77.215-4, 77.216-2, 77.216-3, 77.216-4, and 77.216-5.

DATES: All comments must be received or postmarked by midnight Eastern Standard Time on April 18, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Comments must be identified clearly with the rule title and may be submitted to MSHA by any of the following methods:

(1) *Electronic mail:* zzMSHA-Comments@dol.gov.

(2) *Facsimile:* 202-693-9441

(3) *Regular Mail:* MSHA, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, VA 22209-3939.

(4) *Hand Delivery or Courier:* MSHA, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, VA 22209-3939. Sign in at the receptionist's desk on the 21st floor.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mario Distasio, Chief of the Economic Analysis Division, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, MSHA, at distasio.mario@dol.gov (e-mail), 202-693-9445 (voice mail), 202-693-9441 (facsimile).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

30 CFR part 77, subpart C, sets forth standards for surface installations. More specifically, these sections address refuse piles (30 CFR 77.215), and impoundments (30 CFR 77.216). Impoundments are structures that can retain water, sediment, or slurry or any combination of materials; and refuse piles are deposits of coal mine waste (other than overburden or spoil) that are removed during mining operations or separated from mined coal and deposited on the surface. The failure of these structures can have a devastating affect on a community. To avoid or minimize such disasters, standards have been promulgated for the design, construction, and maintenance of these structures; for annual certifications; for certification for hazardous refuse piles; for the frequency of inspections; and the methods of abandonment for impoundments and impounding structures.

Section 103(e) of the Mine Act directs the Secretary of Labor not to impose an unreasonable burden on small businesses when obtaining any information under the Mine Act. This information collection does not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities.

II. Desired Focus of Comments

MSHA is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility;
 - Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the 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 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 information collection request can be obtained by contacting

the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice, or viewed on the Internet by selecting "Rules & Regs", and then selecting "FedReg.Docs". On the next screen, select "Paperwork Reduction Act Supporting Statement" to view documents supporting the **Federal Register** notice.

III. Current Actions

This notice contains the request for an extension of the existing collection of information in 30 CFR 77.215(j), 77.215-2, 77.215-3, 77.215-4, 77.216-2, 77.216-3, 77.216-4, and 77.216-5. MSHA does not intend to publish the results from this information collection and is not seeking approval to either display or not display the expiration date for the OMB approval of this information collection.

There are no certification exceptions identified with this information collection and the collection of this information does not employ statistical methods.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Mine Safety and Health Administration.

OMB Number: 1219-0015.

Frequency: Variable.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Cost to Federal Government: \$535,953.

Total Burden Respondents: 642.

Total Number of Responses: 10,422.

Total Burden Hours: 30,579 hours.

Total Hour Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$7,782,240.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and 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: February 11, 2011.

Roslyn B. Fontaine,

*Acting Director, Office of Standards,
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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

[OMB Control No. 1219-0127]

Proposed Extension of Existing Information Collection on Qualification/Certification Program and Man Hoist Operators Physical Fitness

AGENCY: Mine Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor.

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments.

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 continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps to assure 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 for 30 CFR 75.100, 75.155, 75.159, 75.160, 75.161, 77.100, 77.105, 77.106, 77.107, and 77.107-1 on Qualification/Certification Program and Man Hoist Operators Physical Fitness.

DATES: All comments must be received by midnight Eastern Standard Time on April 18, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Comments must be identified clearly with the rule title and may be submitted to MSHA by any of the following methods:

(1) *Electronic mail:* zzMSHA-Comments@dol.gov.

(2) *Facsimile:* 202-693-9441

(3) *Regular Mail:* MSHA, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, VA 22209-3939.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mario Distasio, Chief of the Economic Analysis Division, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, MSHA, at distasio.mario@dol.gov (e-mail), 202-693-9445 (voicemail), 202-693-9441 (facsimile).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Section 101(a) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Mine Act) requires that the Secretary must develop, promulgate, and revise as may be appropriate, improved mandatory health or safety standards for the protection of life and prevention of injuries in coal or other mines. Under section 103(a)(2), authorized representatives of the Secretary of Labor or Secretary of Health and Human

Services must make frequent inspections and investigations in coal or other mines each year for the purpose of gathering information with respect to mandatory health or safety standards.

Sections 75.159 and 77.106 require coal mine operators to maintain a list of persons who are certified and those who are qualified to perform duties under Parts 75 and 77, such as conduct examinations for hazardous conditions, conduct tests for methane and oxygen deficiency, conduct tests of air flow, perform electrical work, repair energized surface high-voltage lines, and perform duties of hoisting engineer. The recorded information is necessary to ensure that only persons who are properly trained and have the required number of years of experience are permitted to perform these duties. MSHA does not specify a format for the recordkeeping; however, it normally consists of the names of the certified and qualified persons listed in two columns on a sheet of paper. One column is for certified persons and the other is for qualified persons.

Sections 75.100 and 77.100 pertain to the certification of certain persons to perform specific examinations and tests. Sections 75.155 and 77.105 outline the requirements necessary to be qualified as a hoisting engineer or hoist man. Also, under §§ 75.160, 75.161, 77.107 and 77.107-1, the mine operator must have an approved training plan developed to train and retrain the qualified and certified people to effectively do their tasks.

These regulations recognize State certification and qualification programs. However, where State programs are not available, MSHA may certify and qualify persons.

The MSHA program will continue to qualify or certify individuals as long as these individuals meet the requirements for certification or qualification, fulfill any applicable retraining requirements, and remain employed at the same mine or by the same independent contractor.

Applications for Secretarial qualification or certification are submitted to the MSHA Qualification and Certification Unit in Denver, Colorado. MSHA Form 5000-41 provides the coal mining industry with a standardized reporting format that expedites the certification and qualification process while ensuring compliance with the regulations. MSHA uses the form's information to determine if applicants satisfy the requirements to obtain the certification or qualification sought. Persons must meet certain minimum experience requirements depending on the type of certification or qualification.

Section 103(e) of the Mine Act directs the Secretary of Labor not to impose an unreasonable burden on small businesses when obtaining any information under the Mine Act. This information collection does not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities.

II. Desired Focus of Comments

MSHA is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the 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 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 information collection request can be obtained by contacting the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice, or viewed on the Internet by selecting "Rules & Regs", and then selecting "FedReg.Docs". On the next screen, select "Paperwork Reduction Act Supporting Statement" to view documents supporting the **Federal Register** notice.

III. Current Actions

This notice contains the request for an extension of the existing collection of information in 30 CFR 75.100, 75.155, 75.159, 75.160, 75.161, 77.100, 77.105, 77.106, 77.107, and 77.107-1. MSHA does not intend to publish the results from this information collection. MSHA is seeking approval to display the expiration date for the OMB approval of this information collection on MSHA Form 5000-41.

There are no certification exceptions identified with this information collection and the collection of this information does not employ statistical methods.

Type of Review: Three year update.

Agency: Mine Safety and Health Administration.

OMB Number: 1219-0127.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Cost to Federal Government: none.
Total Burden Respondents: \$1,547.
Total Number of Responses: 6,966.
Total Burden Hours: 679 hours.
Total Hour Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$125.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and 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: February 11, 2011.

Roslyn B. Fontaine,
*Acting Director, Office of Standards,
 Regulations and Variances, Certifying Officer.*

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THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Meeting of National Council on the Humanities

AGENCY: The National Endowment for the Humanities.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended) notice is hereby given the National Council on the Humanities will meet in Washington, DC on March 3-4, 2011.

The purpose of the meeting is to advise the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities with respect to policies, programs, and procedures for carrying out his functions, and to review applications for financial support from and gifts offered to the Endowment and to make recommendations thereon to the Chairman.

The meeting will be held in the Old Post Office Building, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. A portion of the morning and afternoon sessions on March 3-4, 2011, will not be open to the public pursuant to subsections (c)(4), (c)(6) and (c)(9)(B) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code because the Council will consider information that may disclose: Trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential; information of a personal nature the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy; and information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of proposed agency action. I have made this determination under the authority granted me by the Chairman's

Delegation of Authority dated July 19, 1993.

The agenda for the sessions on March 3, 2011 will be as follows:

Committee Meetings

(Open to the Public)

Policy Discussion

9-10:30 a.m.

- Digital Humanities—Room 402
- Education Programs—Room M-07
- Federal/State Partnership and Preservation and Access—Room 415
- Public Programs—Room 421
- Research Programs—Room 315

(Closed to the Public)

Discussion of Specific Grant Applications and Programs Before the Council

10:30 a.m. until Adjourned

- Digital Humanities—Room 402
- Education Programs—Room M-07
- Federal/State Partnership and Preservation and Access—Room 415
- Public Programs—Room 421
- Research Programs—Room 315

The morning session of the meeting on March 4, 2011 will convene at 9 a.m., in the first floor Council Room M-09, and will be open to the public, as set out below. The agenda for the morning session will be as follows:

A. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

B. Reports

1. Introductory Remarks
2. Film Presentation
3. Staff Report
4. Congressional Report
5. Budget Report
6. Reports on Policy and General Matters
 - a. Digital Humanities
 - b. Education Programs
 - c. Federal/State Partnership
 - d. Preservation and Access
 - e. Public Programs
 - f. Research Programs

The remainder of the proposed meeting will be given to the consideration of specific applications and will be closed to the public for the reasons stated above.

Further information about this meeting can be obtained from Michael P. McDonald, Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Endowment for the Humanities, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20506, or by calling (202) 606-8322, TDD (202) 606-8282.

Advance notice of any special needs or accommodations is appreciated.

Michael P. McDonald,
Advisory Committee Management Officer.
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THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Meetings of Humanities Panel

AGENCY: The National Endowment for the Humanities.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), notice is hereby given that the following meetings of Humanities Panels will be held at the Old Post Office, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20506.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael P. McDonald, Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Endowment for the Humanities, Washington, DC 20506; telephone (202) 606-8322. Hearing-impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter may be obtained by contacting the Endowment's TDD terminal on (202) 606-8282.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed meetings are for the purpose of panel review, discussion, evaluation and recommendation on applications for financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including discussion of information given in confidence to the agency by the grant applicants. Because the proposed meetings will consider information that is likely to disclose trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential and/or information of a personal nature the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, pursuant to authority granted me by the Chairman's Delegation of Authority to Close Advisory Committee meetings, dated July 19, 1993, I have determined that these meetings will be closed to the public pursuant to subsections (c)(4), and (6) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

1. *Date:* March 1, 2011.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Location: Room 315.

Program: This meeting will review applications for Archaeology II in Collaborative Research, submitted to the