

the respondents and the Federal Government;

- The collections are non-controversial and do not raise issues of concern to other Federal agencies;
- Any collection is targeted to the solicitation of opinions from respondents who have experience with the program or may have experience with the program in the near future;
- Personally identifiable information (PII) is collected only to the extent necessary and is not retained;
- Information gathered is intended to be used for general service improvement and program management purposes
- Upon agreement between OMB and the agency all or a subset of information may be released as part of A-11, Section 280 requirements only on performance.gov. Summaries of customer research and user testing activities may be included in public-facing customer journey maps or summaries.
- Additional release of data must be done coordinated with OMB.

These collections will allow for ongoing, collaborative and actionable communications between the Agency, its customers and stakeholders, and OMB as it monitors agency compliance on Section 280. These responses will inform efforts to improve or maintain the quality of service offered to the public. If this information is not collected, vital feedback from customers and stakeholders on services will be unavailable.

*Current Action:* New Collection of Information.

*Type of Review:* New.

*Affected Public:* Individuals and Households, Businesses and Organizations, State, Local or Tribal Government.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* Below is a preliminary estimate of the aggregate burden hours for this new collection. DOL will provide refined estimates of burden in subsequent notices.

*Average Expected Annual Number of Activities:* Approximately five types of customer experience activities such as feedback surveys, focus groups, user testing, and interviews.

*Average Number of Respondents per Activity:* 1 response per respondent per activity.

*Annual Responses:* 2,001,550.

*Average Minutes per Response:* 2 minutes—60 minutes, dependent upon activity.

*Burden Hours:* DOL requests approximately 101,125 burden hours.

*Request for Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the

request for OMB approval. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information, to search data sources, to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

All written comments will be available for public inspection at *Regulations.gov*.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget control number.

**Crystal Rennie,**

*Acting Department Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Mine Safety and Health Administration

[OMB Control No. 1219-0154]

#### Proposed Extension of Information Collection; Performance Reports for MSHA Grants

**AGENCY:** Mine Safety and Health Administration, Labor.

**ACTION:** 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 collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. 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 on the information collection for Performance Reports for MSHA Grants.

**DATES:** All comments must be received on or before February 16, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comment as follows. Please note that late, untimely filed comments will not be considered.

*Electronic Submissions:* Submit electronic comments in the following way:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments for docket number MSHA-2020-0037. Comments submitted electronically, including attachments, to <https://www.regulations.gov> will be posted to the docket, with no changes. Because your comment will be made public, you are responsible for ensuring that your comment does not include any confidential information that you or a third party may not wish to be posted, such as your or anyone else's Social Security number or confidential business information.

- If you want to submit a comment with confidential information that you do not wish to be made available to the public, submit the comment as a written/paper submission.

*Written/Paper Submissions:* Submit written/paper submissions in the following way:

- *Mail/Hand Delivery:* Mail or visit DOL-MSHA, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 201 12th Street South, Suite 4E401, Arlington, VA 22202-5452.

- MSHA will post your comment as well as any attachments, except for information submitted and marked as confidential, in the docket at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Roslyn B. Fontaine, Deputy Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, MSHA, at [MSHA.information.collections@dol.gov](mailto:MSHA.information.collections@dol.gov)

(email); (202) 693-9440 (voice); or (202) 693-9441 (facsimile).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### I. Background

Section 103(h) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Mine Act), 30 U.S.C. 813(h), authorizes the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) to collect information necessary to carry out its duty in protecting the safety and health of miners. Further, section 101(a) of the Mine Act, 30 U.S.C. 811, authorizes the Secretary of Labor (Secretary) to 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 and metal and nonmetal mines.

MSHA works to prevent death, illness, and injury from mining and to promote safe and healthful workplaces for U.S. miners. Section 115 of the Mine Act, as amended, requires mine operators to have a health and safety training program. Under section 503 of the Mine Act, as amended, the Secretary may award grants to States to assist in developing and enforcing State mining laws and regulations, to improve State workers' compensation and mining occupational disease laws and programs, and to improve safety and health conditions in the Nation's mines through Federal-State coordination and cooperation.

Grantees are required by U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) regulations to submit project and final reports. Grantees are also required to submit final reports no later than 90 days after the end of the grant period.

**Technical Project Reports:** A grantee submits a technical project report to MSHA no later than 30 days after quarterly deadlines. Technical project reports provide both quantitative and qualitative information and a narrative assessment of performance for the preceding 3-month period. This includes a comparison of the current grant progress against the overall grant goals. Between reporting dates, the grantee informs MSHA of significant developments or problems affecting the organization's ability to accomplish the work.

**Final Reports:** At the end of the grant period, each grantee provides a project summary of its technical project reports, an evaluation report, and a close-out financial report. These final reports are due no later than 90 days after the end of the 12-month performance period.

### II. Desired Focus of Comments

MSHA is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection related to Performance Reports for MSHA Grants. 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 MSHA's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Suggest methods to 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.

Background documents related to this information collection request are available at <https://regulations.gov> and in DOL-MSHA located at 201 12th Street South, Suite 4E401, Arlington, VA 22202-5452. Questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice from the previous collection of information.

### III. Current Actions

This information collection request concerns provisions for Performance Reports for MSHA Grants. MSHA has updated the data with respect to the number of respondents, responses, burden hours, and burden costs supporting this information collection request from the previous information collection request.

**Type of Review:** Extension, without change, of a currently approved collection.

**Agency:** Mine Safety and Health Administration.

**OMB Number:** 1219-0154.

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

**Number of Respondents:** 50.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

**Number of Responses:** 250.

**Annual Burden Hours:** 625 hours.

**Annual Respondent or Recordkeeper Cost:** \$0.

**MSHA Forms:** MSHA Performance Report Narratives; and MSHA Form 5000-50, MSHA State Grant Program Performance Report.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the proposed information collection request; they will become a matter of public record and will be available at <https://www.reginfo.gov>.

**Roslyn B. Fontaine,**

*Certifying Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Veterans' Employment and Training Service

#### Advisory Committee on Veterans' Employment, Training and Employer Outreach (ACVETEO): Meeting

**AGENCY:** Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS), Department of Labor (DOL).

**ACTION:** Notice of virtual open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the ACVETEO. The ACVETEO will discuss the DOL core programs and services that assist veterans seeking employment and raise employer awareness as to the advantages of hiring veterans. There will be an opportunity for individuals or organizations to address the committee. Any individual or organization that wishes to do so should contact Mr. Gregory Green at [ACVETEO@dol.gov](mailto:ACVETEO@dol.gov). Additional information regarding the Committee, including its charter, current membership list, annual reports, meeting minutes, and meeting updates may be found at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/vets/about/advisorycommittee>. This notice also describes the functions of the ACVETEO. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a) (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public.

**DATES:** Thursday, January 14, 2021 beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at approximately 12:00 p.m. (EST).

**ADDRESSES:** This ACVETEO meeting will be held via WebEx video and teleconference. Meeting information will be posted at the link below under the Meeting Updates tab. <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/vets/about/advisorycommittee>

**Notice of Intent To Attend the Meeting:** All meeting participants should submit a notice of intent to attend by Monday, January 4, 2021, via email to Mr. Gregory Green at