

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 and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the Interstate Arrangement For Combining Employment and Wages, ETA 586.

A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before September 24, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Mary E. Montgomery, Office of Workforce Security, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-4516, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210, telephone number (202) 693-3217 (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Section 3304(a)(9)(B), of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) of 1986, requires

States to participate in an arrangement for combining employment and wages covered under the different State laws for the purpose of determining unemployed workers' entitlement to unemployment compensation. The Interstate Arrangement for Combining Employment and Wages (CWC), promulgated at 20 CFR part 616, requires the prompt transfer of all available employment and wages between States upon request. The Benefit Payment Promptness Standard, 20 CFR part 640, requires the prompt payment of unemployment compensation including benefits paid under the CWC arrangement. The ETA 586 report provides the ETA/Office of Workforce Security with information necessary to measure the scope and effect of the CWC program and monitor the performance of each State in responding to wage transfer requests and the payment of benefits.

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 information is necessary in order for ETA to analyze program performance, know when program performance action plans are needed and to target technical assistance resources. Without this report, it would be impossible for the ETA to identify claims and benefit activity under the CWC program and carry out the Secretary's responsibility for oversight.

Type of Review: Extension without change.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: Interstate Arrangement for Combining Employment and Wages.

OMB Number: 1205-0029.

Agency Number: ETA 586.

Recordkeeping: 3 years.

Affected Public: State Government.

Cite/Reference/Form: ETA Handbook No. 401, ETA 586.

Total Respondents: 53.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Total Responses: 212.

Average Time per Response: 4 hours.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 848.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):

N/A.

Total Burden Cost:

Form	Respondents	Per year	Hours per response	Burden hours
ETA 586	53	212	4 hours	848

Average number of responses per respondent: 4.

Average burden hour per response: 4 hours.

With an average of \$20 per hour for State salaries and 848 hours per year, we estimate the annual burden cost to be \$16,960.

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 13, 2001.

Cheryl Atkinson,

Director, Office of Income Support.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

Petitions for Modification

The following parties have filed petitions to modify the application of existing safety standards under section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977.

1. Kentucky May Coal Company

[Docket No. M-2001-063-C]

Kentucky May Coal Company, 1045 Arnold Fork Road, Kite, Kentucky 41828 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 77.214(a) (refuse piles; general) to its Preparation Plant (I.D. No. 15-17338) located in Knott County, Kentucky. The petitioner proposes to fill its Refuse Disposal Fill "A" with refuse generated from its preparation plant in Arnold Fork Kentucky. The petitioner states that Refuse Fill "A" is a combined fill being constructed by the structural shell method, and that proposed modifications to Fill "A" to raise the proposed top of the Fill from elevation 1700 feet to elevation 1750 feet have

been submitted to the Barbourville Regional Office for review and approval. The petitioner submits this petition to supplement the modifications since the proposed top of the Fill will now be above an abandoned underground mine face up No. 1, an underground mining operation in the Hazard No. 4 coal Seam that is currently backfilled, and for face-up No. 2 that is constructed for the same mine and also backfilled and the Coal Seam dips toward face-up No. 2. For this reason, a four inch P.V.C. Pipe has been installed in the lowest entry of face-up No. 2 during backfilling operations to prevent the impoundment of water in the old mine works. The petitioner has outlined in this petition specific procedures that would be followed to implement its proposed alternative method. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

2. DLR Mining, Inc.

[Docket No. M-2001-064-C]

DLR Mining, Inc., 3065 Airport Road, Indiana, Pennsylvania 15701 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.350 (air courses and belt haulage entries) to its Nolo Mine (I.D. No. 36-08850) located in Indiana County, Pennsylvania. The petitioner requests a modification of the existing standard to permit belt air to be used to ventilate a working section or sections. The petitioner proposes to install carbon monoxide sensors as an early warning fire detection system in all belt entries used to course air through the belt entry to ventilate active working places. The petitioner states that the sensors would be capable of providing both visual and audible alarm signals. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

3. Consol Pennsylvania Coal Company

[Docket No. M-2001-065-C]

Consol Pennsylvania Coal Company, Consol Plaza, 1800 Washington Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15241-1421 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.312(c) and (d) (main mine fan examinations and records) to its Enlow Fork Mine (I.D. No. 36-07416) located in Greene County, Pennsylvania. The petitioner proposes to test automatic closing door(s) and the automatic fan signal device at least every 31 days without shutting down the fan and without removing miners from the mine. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method

would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

4. Branham & Baker Underground Corp.

[Docket No. M-2001-066-C]

Branham & Baker Underground Corp., P.O. Box 1409, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.503 (permissible electric face equipment; maintenance) and 30 CFR 18.41(f) (plug and receptacle-type connectors) to its Mine #23 (I.D. No. 15-18368) located in Pike County, Kentucky. The petitioner proposes to use a permanently installed spring-loaded device instead of a padlock on mobile battery-powered equipment to prevent unintentional loosening of battery plugs from battery receptacles and to eliminate hazards associated with difficult removal of padlocks during emergency situations. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

5. Long Fork Development, Inc.

[Docket No. M-2001-067-C]

Long Fork Development, Inc., P.O. Box 480, Lovely, Kentucky 41231 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.503 (permissible electric face equipment; maintenance) and 30 CFR 18.41(f) (plug and receptacle-type connectors) to its No. 6 Mine (I.D. No. 15-18385) located in Johnson County, Kentucky. The petitioner proposes to use a permanently installed spring-loaded device instead of a padlock on mobile battery-powered equipment to prevent unintentional loosening of battery plugs from battery receptacles and to eliminate hazards associated with difficult removal of padlocks during emergency situations. The petitioner asserts that application of the existing standard would result in a diminution of safety to the miners and that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

6. Energy West Mining Company

[Docket No. M-2001-068-C]

Energy West Mining Company, P.O. Box 310, 15 North Main, Huntington, Utah 84528 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.364(b)(1) (weekly examination) to its Deer Creek Mine (I.D. No. 42-00121) located in Emery County, Utah. Due to deteriorating roof conditions, deep water, and high roof through the area, the petitioner requests a modification of

the existing standard to establish evaluation points instead of traveling an area from the top of the Cowin Raise for a distance of approximately three hundred (300) feet in by the intake air course. The petitioner proposes to establish three input evaluation points and three crosscuts out by the top of the Cowin Raise and to have an examiner check the evaluation points to determine that air is moving in the proper direction; and establish one output evaluation point at the bottom of the Cowin Raise and have the examiner determine that air is moving in the proper direction and take an air reading, and record the date, time, and his/her initials at evaluation point, and record the air reading in a weekly examination book. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

7. Consolidation Coal Company

[Docket No. M-2001-069-C]

Consolidation Coal Company, Consol Plaza, 1800 Washington Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15241-1421 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1002 (location of trolley wires, trolley feeder wires, high-voltage cables and transformers) to its Buchanan No. 1 Mine (I.D. No. 44-04856) located in Buchanan County, Virginia. The petitioner proposes to use high-voltage (4,160-volt) cables in by the last open crosscut. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

8. Consolidation Coal Company

[Docket No. M-2001-070-C]

Consolidation Coal Company, Consol Plaza, 1800 Washington Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15241-1421 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.804(a) (underground high-voltage cables) to its Buchanan No. 1 Mine (I.D. No. 44-04856) located in Buchanan County, Virginia. The petitioner proposes to use a high-voltage (4,160-volt) cable with an internal ground check conductor smaller than #10 A.W.G. as part of its longwall mining system. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

9. American Energy Corporation

[Docket No. M-2001-071-C]

American Energy Corporation, P.O. Box 5, Alledonia, Ohio 43902 has filed a petition to modify the application of

30 CFR 75.804(a) (underground high-voltage cables) to its Century Mine (I.D. No. 33-01070) located in Belmont County, Ohio. The petitioner proposes to use a high-voltage cable with an internal ground check conductor smaller than No. 10 A.W.G as part of its longwall mining system. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

10. American Energy Corporation

[Docket No. M-2001-072-C]

American Energy Corporation, P.O. Box 5, Alledonia, Ohio 43902 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1002 (location of trolley wires, trolley feeder wires, high-voltage cables and transformers) to its Century Mine (I.D. No. 33-01070) located in Belmont County, Ohio. The petitioner proposes to use high-voltage (4,160-volt) cables in by the last open crosscut. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

11. Mettiki Coal, LLC

[Docket No. M-2001-073-C]

Mettiki Coal, LLC, 293 Table Rock Road, Oakland, Maryland 21550 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1002 (location of trolley wires, trolley feeder wires, high-voltage cables and transformers) to its Mettiki Mine (I.D. No. 18-00621) located in Garrett County, Maryland. The petitioner proposes to use high-voltage (2,400-volts) on its longwall face conveyor circuits and its shearer circuits when new longwall equipment is installed and has been inspected by MSHA. The petitioner states that a request will be made to revoke its previously granted petition, docket number M-98-032-C, when or if this petition is granted. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

12. San Juan Coal Company

[Docket No. M-2001-074-C]

San Juan Coal Company, P.O. Box 561, Waterflow, New Mexico 87421 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1726(a) (performing work from a raised position; safeguards) to its San Juan South Mine (I.D. No. 29-02170) and San Juan Deep Mine (I.D. No. 29-02201) located in San Juan County, New Mexico. The petitioner requests a modification of the existing standard to permit the use of

modified scoops to provide an elevated work platform for miners at the San Juan South Mine and the San Juan Deep Mine. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

Request for Comments

Persons interested in these petitions are encouraged to submit comments via e-mail to "comments@msha.gov," or on a computer disk along with an original hard copy to the Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, Mine Safety and Health Administration, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Room 627, Arlington, Virginia 22203. All comments must be postmarked or received in that office on or before August 24, 2001. Copies of these petitions are available for inspection at that address.

Dated at Arlington, Virginia this 13th day of July 2001.

David L. Meyer,

Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Records Schedules; Availability and Request for Comments

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed records schedules; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) publishes notice at least once monthly of certain Federal agency requests for records disposition authority (records schedules). Once approved by NARA, records schedules provide mandatory instructions on what happens to records when no longer needed for current Government business. They authorize the preservation of records of continuing value in the National Archives of the United States and the destruction, after a specified period, of records lacking administrative, legal, research, or other value. Notice is published for records schedules in which agencies propose to destroy records not previously authorized for disposal or reduce the retention period of records already authorized for disposal. NARA invites public comments on such records schedules, as required by 44 U.S.C. 3303a(a).

DATES: Requests for copies must be received in writing on or before September 10, 2001. Once the appraisal of the records is completed, NARA will send a copy of the schedule. NARA staff usually prepare appraisal memorandums that contain additional information concerning the records covered by a proposed schedule. These, too, may be requested and will be provided once the appraisal is completed. Requesters will be given 30 days to submit comments.

ADDRESSES: To request a copy of any records schedule identified in this notice, write to the Life Cycle Management Division (NWML), National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001. Requests also may be transmitted by FAX to 301-713-6852 or by e-mail to records.mgt@nara.gov. Requesters must cite the control number, which appears in parentheses after the name of the agency which submitted the schedule, and must provide a mailing address. Those who desire appraisal reports should so indicate in their request.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Miller, Director, Modern Records Programs (NWM), National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001. Telephone: (301) 713-7110. E-mail: records.mgt@nara.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Each year Federal agencies create billions of records on paper, film, magnetic tape, and other media. To control this accumulation, agency records managers prepare schedules proposing retention periods for records and submit these schedules for NARA's approval, using the Standard Form (SF) 115, Request for Records Disposition Authority. These schedules provide for the timely transfer into the National Archives of historically valuable records and authorize the disposal of all other records after the agency no longer needs them to conduct its business. Some schedules are comprehensive and cover all the records of an agency or one of its major subdivisions. Most schedules, however, cover records of only one office or program or a few series of records. Many of these update previously approved schedules, and some include records proposed as permanent.

No Federal records are authorized for destruction without the approval of the Archivist of the United States. This approval is granted only after a thorough consideration of their administrative use by the agency of origin, the rights of the Government and