

Transport Explosives—Inspection Certification is available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office, or you may request a mailed copy by telephoning Kathleen Martinez at (202) 693-2444 or Todd Owen at (202) 693-2444. For electronic copies of the ICR on Trucks used Underground to Transport Explosives—Inspection Certification, contact OSHA on the Internet at <http://www.osha-slc.gov>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

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 continuing information collection requirements in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA-95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program ensures that information is in the desired format, reporting burden (time and costs) is minimal, collection instruments clearly understood, and the impact of information collection requirements on respondents properly assessed. The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (the Act) authorizes information collection by employers as necessary or appropriate for enforcement of the Act or for developing information regarding the causes and prevention of occupational injuries, illnesses, and accidents (29 U.S.C. 657).

##### II. Proposed Action

The inspection certification required in 29 CFR 1926.903(e) is necessary to assure compliance with the requirement for inspection of the electrical system in trucks used for the underground transportation of explosives. The inspection assures that the truck have a weekly maintenance check of the electrical system to detect any failures which may constitute an electrical hazard. Employers must prepare and retain a certification record of the inspection.

OSHA will summarize the comments submitted in response to this notice, and will include this summary in the request to OMB to extend the approval of the information collection requirements contained in the Truck used Underground to Transport Explosives—Inspection Certification (29 CFR 1926.903(e)).

*Type of Review:* Extension of currently approved information collection requirements.

*Agency:* Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

*Title:* Trucks used Underground to Transport Explosives—Inspection Certification (29 CFR 1926.903(e)).

*OMB Number:* 1218-0227.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; Federal government; state, local or tribal government.

*Number of Respondents:* 1.

*Frequency:* Weekly.

*Average Time per Response:* 10 minutes.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 9 hours.

##### III. Authority and Signature

Charles N. Jeffress, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice. The authority for this notice is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506), Secretary of Labor's Order No. 6-96 (62 FR 111), and 29 CFR part 11.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 17th day of March 2000.

**Charles N. Jeffress,**

*Assistant Secretary of Labor.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

##### Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. ICR1218-0217(2000)]

##### Construction Records for Blasting 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:** Notice of an opportunity for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** OSHA solicits comments concerning the extension of the information collection requirements contained in the standard on Construction Records for Blasting Operations (29 CFR 1926.900(k)(3)(i)).

The Agency is particularly interested in comments on the following:

- Whether the information collection requirements are necessary the proper performance of the Agency's functions, including whether the information is useful;
- The accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden (time and costs) of the information collection requirements, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- The quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and
- Ways to minimize the burden on employers who must comply, for

example, by using automated electronic, mechanical, and other technological information and transmission collection techniques.

**DATES:** Submit written comments on or before May 22, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments to the Docket Office, Docket No. ICR1218-0217(2000), Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693-2350. You may transmit written comments 10 pages or less in length by facsimile to (202) 693-1648.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathleen Martinez, Directorate of Policy, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3627, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693-2444. A copy of the Agency's Information Collection Request (ICR) supporting the need for the information collection requirements on Construction Records for Blasting Operations is available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office, or you may request a mailed copy by telephoning Kathleen Martinez at (202) 693-2444 or Todd Owen at (202) 693-2444. For electronic copies of the ICR Construction Records For Blasting Operations, contact OSHA on the Internet at <http://www.osha-slc.gov>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

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 continuing information collection requirements in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA-95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program ensures that information is in the desired format, reporting burden (time and costs) is minimal, collection instruments is clearly understood, and the impact of information collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (the Act) authorizes information collection by employers as necessary or appropriate for enforcement of the Act or for developing information regarding the causes and prevention of occupational injuries, illnesses, and accidents (29 U.S.C. 657).

## II. Proposed Actions

This provision requires employers to post a sign warning against the use of mobile radio transmitters on all roads within 1000 feet of blasting operations. When this requirement creates an "operational handicap", the employer must develop and implement an alternative method that will prevent the premature detonation of electronic blasting caps. The alternative method must be in writing, and a competent person must certify its adequacy.

OSHA will summarize the comments submitted in response to this notice, and will include this summary in the request to OMB to extend the approval of the information collection requirements contained in the Construction Records for Blasting Operations.

*Type of Review:* Extension of currently approved information collection requirements.

*Agency:* Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

*Title:* Construction Records for Blasting Operations (29 CFR 1926.900(k)(3)(i)).

*OMB Number:* 1218-0217.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; Federal government; state, local or tribal government.

*Number of Respondents:* 160 work sites.

*Frequency:* Once per 160 work sites.

*Average Time per Response:* 8 hours.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 1,280.

## III. Authority and Signature

Charles N. Jeffress, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice. The authority for this notice is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506), Secretary of Labor's Order No. 6-96 (62 FR 111), and 29 CFR part 11.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 17th day of March 2000.

**Charles N. Jeffress,**

*Assistant Secretary of Labor.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. ICR1218-023-0231(2000)]

### Construction Records for Tests and Inspections of Personnel Hoists; 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:** Notice of an opportunity for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** OSHA solicits comments concerning the extension of the information collection requirements contained in the standard on Construction Records for Test and Inspections of Personnel Hoists (29 CFR 1926.552(c)(15)).

The Agency is particularly interested in comments on the following:

- Whether the information collection requirements are necessary for the proper performance of the Agency's functions, including whether the information is useful;
- The accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden (time and costs) of the information collection requirements, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- The quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and
- Ways to minimize the burden on employers who must comply, for example, by using automated, electronic, mechanical, and other technological information and transmission collection techniques.

**DATES:** Submit written comments on or before May 22, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments to the Docket Office, Docket No. ICR1218-0231(2000), Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693-2350. You may transmit written comments 10 pages or less in length by facsimile to (202) 693-1648.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kathleen Martinez, Directorate of Policy, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3605, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, D.C. 20210; telephone: (202) 693-2444. A copy of the Agency's Information Collection Request (ICR) supporting the need for the information collection requirements on Construction Records for Tests and

Inspections of Personnel Hoists is available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office, or you may request a mailed copy by telephoning Kathleen Martinez at (202) 693-2444 or Todd Owen at (202) 693-2444. For electronic copies of the ICR on Construction Records for Test and Inspection for Personnel Hoists, contact OSHA on the Internet at <http://www.osha-slc.gov>.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Background

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 continuing information collection requirements in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA-95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program ensures that information is in the desired format, reporting burden (time and costs) is minimal, collection instruments clearly understood, and the impact of information collection requirements on respondents properly assessed. The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (the Act) authorizes information collection by employers as necessary or appropriate for enforcement of the Act or for developing information regarding the causes and prevention of occupational injuries, illnesses, and accidents (29 U.S.C. 657).

#### II. Proposed Actions

The certification record required in 29 CFR 1926.552(c)(15) is necessary to assure compliance with the requirement for personnel hoists. It assures that the hoists have initial, periodic, and regular maintenance checks. OSHA will summarize the comments submitted in response to this notice, and will include this summary in the request to OMB to extend the approval of the information collection requirements contained in the Construction Records for Test and Inspections of Personnel Hoists (29 CFR 1926.552(c)(15)).

*Type of Review:* Extension of currently approved information collection requirements.

*Agency:* Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

*Title:* Construction Records for Test and Inspections of Personal Hoists (29 CFR 1926.552(c)(15)).

*OMB Number:* 1218-0231.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; Federal government; state, local or tribal government.

*Number of Respondents:* 14,400.

*Frequency:* Every 3 months.