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Signed at Washington, DC this 31st day of May 2001.

Carl J. Poleskey,

Chief, Branch of Construction Wage Determinations.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; Safety Defects, Examination, Correction, and Records

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 August 7, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Brenda C. Teaster, Acting Chief, Records Management Division, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Room 709A, Arlington, VA 22203–1984. Commenters are encouraged to send their comments on a computer disk, or via Internet E-mail to bteaster@msha.gov, along with an original printed copy. Ms. Teaster can be reached at (703) 235–1470 (voice), or (703) 235–1563 (facsimile).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brenda C. Teaster, Acting Chief, Records

Brenda C. Teaster, Acting Chief, Records Management Division, U.S. Department of Labor, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Room 709A, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22203–1984. Ms. Teaster can be reached at bteaster@msha.gov (Internet E-mail), (703) 235–1470 (voice), or (703) 235–1563 (facsimile).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Title 30 CFR 56.13015 and 57.13015 require compressed-air receivers and other unfired pressure vessels be inspected by inspectors holding a valid National Board Commission and in accordance with the applicable chapters of the National Board Inspection Code, a manual for Boiler and Pressure Vessels Inspectors, 1979.

Title 30 CFR 56.13030 and 57.13030 require that fired pressure vessels (boilers) be equipped with safety devices approved by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) to protect against hazards from overpressure, flameouts, fuel interruptions and low water level. 56/ 57.13030 require that records of inspections and repairs be retained by the mine operator in accordance with the requirements of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code and the National Board Inspection Code (progressive records—no limit on retention time) and made available to the Secretary or his/her authorized representative.

Title 30 CFR 56.14100 and 57.14100 require equipment operators to inspect

equipment, machinery, and tools that are to be used during a shift for safety defects before the equipment is placed in operation. Defects affecting safety are required to be corrected in a timely manner. In instances where the defect makes continued operation of the equipment unsafe, the standards require removal from service, tagging to identify that it is out of use, and repair before use is resumed.

Title 30 CFR 56.18002 and 57.180002 require that a competent person designated by the operator shall examine each working place at least once each shift for conditions which may adversely affect safety or health. A record that such examinations were conducted shall be kept by the operator for a period of one year, and shall be made available for review by the Secretary or his/her authorized representative.

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 the Safety Defects, Examination, Correction, and Records. 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 technolgy, 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.go) and selecting "Statutory and Regulatory Information" then "Paperwork Reduction Act submission (http://www.msha.gov/regspwork.htm)", or by contacting the employee listed above in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this notice for a hard copy.

III. Current Actions

Additionally, the inspection records denote any hazards that were discovered and how the hazards or unsafe conditions were abated. Federal inspectors use the records to ensure that unsafe conditions are identified early and corrected.

Type of Review: Extension.
Agency: Mine Safety and Health
Administration.

Title: Safety Defects, Examination, Correction, and Records of Pressure Vessels, Equipment, Machinery and Working Places technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Cite/reference	Total re- spondents	Frequency	Total re- sponses	Average time per response (minutes)	Burden hours*
56/56.13015	13,074 13,074 13,074 13,074	Annually Annually Daily Daily	7,464 11,685,509	5 min	345 621 822,089 650,390
Totals	13,074		13,336,061		1,473,445

^{*}Discrepancies due to rounding.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.

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: May 30, 2001.

Brenda C. Teaster,

Acting Chief, Records Management Division. [FR Doc. 01–14425 Filed 6–7–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4510–43–M

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. ICR-1218-0003(2001)]

Gear-Certification Forms (29 CFR Part 1919); 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 its request to decrease the existing burden-hour estimates for, and to extend OMB approval of, the information-collection requirements specified in the gear-certification forms required by 29 CFR part 1919 ("Gear Certification"). The reference numbers and titles of these forms are 70 ("Application for Accreditation to Perform Gear Certification Functions"; Rev. July 1993), 71 ("Certificate of Unit Test and/or Examination of Crane, Derrick, or Other Material"; Rev. July 1993), and 72 ("Notice to Owner of Deficiencies Found on Certification

Survey"; Rev. July 1993). The Agency believes these forms provide an effective and efficient means to apply for accreditation to certify material-handling devices used in marine terminals and longshoring, and for OSHA, employers, and employees to determine if these devices are safe to operate.

DATES: Submit written comments on or before August 7, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to the Docket Office, Docket No. ICR–1218–0003(2001), OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N–2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693–2350. Commenters may transmit written comments of 10 pages or less in length by facsimile to (202) 693–1648.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Theda Kenney, Directorate of Safety Standards Programs, OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3609, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693-2222. A copy of the Agency's Information-Collection Request (ICR) supporting the need for the information collections specified in OSHA gearcertification forms 70, 71, and 72 is available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office or by requesting a copy from Theda Kenney at (202) 693-2222 or Todd Owen at (202) 693-2444. For electronic copies of the ICR contact OSHA on the Internet at http:// www.osha.gov/comp-links.html, and select "Information Collection Requests."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent (i.e., employer) burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the public 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 are understandable, and OSHA's estimate of the informationcollection burden is correct. The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 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.)

The provisions of 29 CFR part 1919 ("Gear Certification") require the use of three gear-certification forms. The reference numbers and titles of these forms are 70 ("Application for Accreditation to Perform Gear Certification Functions"; Rev. July 1993), 71 ("Certificate of Unit Test and/or Examination of Crane, Derrick, or Other Material"; Rev. July 1993), and 72 ("Notice to Owner of Deficiencies Found on Certification Survey"; Rev. July 1993).

Paragraph (a) of § 1919.3 ("Application for Accreditation") specifies that a person (i.e., an individual, partnership, corporation, agency, association, or organization) seeking accreditation from OSHA to test and examine material-handling devices as required by parts 1917 ("Marine Terminals") and 1918 ("Longshoring") must file an application form provided by the Agency; OSHA currently uses form 70 for this purpose. The form collects principally information regarding the applicant's past experience in testing and examining material-handling devices. This Information is necessary for the Agency to evaluate the applicant's competence to test and examine these devices, and