

that the meeting will be concerned with matters the disclosure of which would seriously compromise the Government's negotiating objectives or bargaining positions. Therefore, the meeting is exempt from the requirements of subsections (a) and (b) of sections 10 and 11 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (relating to open meetings, public notice, public participation, and public availability of documents). 5 U.S.C. app. Accordingly, the meeting will be closed to the public.

Signed at Washington, DC, the 14th day of November 2017.

**Martha E. Newton,**

*Deputy Undersecretary, Bureau of International Labor Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Hazard Communication Standard

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) sponsored information collection request (ICR) titled, "Hazard Communication Standard," to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval for continued use, without change, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). Public comments on the ICR are invited.

**DATES:** The OMB will consider all written comments that agency receives on or before December 18, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation; including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained free of charge from the *RegInfo.gov* Web site at [http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref\\_nbr=201706-1219-001](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=201706-1219-001) (this link will only become active on the day following publication of this notice) or by contacting Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-4129, TTY 202-693-8064, (these are not toll-free numbers) or by email at [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

Submit comments about this request by mail to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for DOL-MSHA, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235,

725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503; by Fax: 202-395-5806 (this is not a toll-free number); or by email: [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov). Commenters are encouraged, but not required, to send a courtesy copy of any comments by mail or courier to the U.S. Department of Labor-OASAM, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Attn: Departmental Information Compliance Management Program, Room N1301, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210; or by email: [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-4129, TTY 202-693-8064, (these are not toll-free numbers) or by email at [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This ICR seeks to extend PRA authority for the Hazard Communication Standard information collection requirements codified in regulations 30 CFR part 47. The Standard requires a mine operator to use labels or other forms of warning necessary to inform miners of all hazards to which the miners are exposed, relevant symptoms and emergency treatment, and proper conditions of safety use or exposure. Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 sections 101(a)(7) and 103(h) authorize this information collection. See 30 U.S.C. 811(a)(7), 813(h).

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6. The DOL obtains OMB approval for this information collection under Control Number 1219-0133.

OMB authorization for an ICR cannot be for more than three (3) years without renewal, and the current approval for this collection is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2017. The DOL seeks to extend PRA authorization for this information collection for three (3) more years, without any change to existing requirements. The DOL notes that existing information collection requirements submitted to the OMB receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review. For additional substantive information about this ICR, see the related notice

published in the **Federal Register** on June 12, 2017 (82 FR 26955).

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section within thirty (30) days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB Control Number 1219-0133. The OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- 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 submission of responses.

*Agency:* DOL-MSHA.

*Title of Collection:* Hazard Communication Standard.

*OMB Control Number:* 1219-0133.

*Affected Public:* Private Sector—businesses or other for-profits.

*Total Estimated Number of Respondents:* 21,910.

*Total Estimated Number of Responses:* 1,253,295.

*Total Estimated Annual Time Burden:* 182,835 hours.

*Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden:* \$11,108.

**Authority:** 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D).

Dated: November 13, 2017.

**Michel Smyth,**

*Departmental Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Bureau of Labor Statistics

#### Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection; request for comment.

**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/or continuing 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. The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is soliciting comments on the proposed revision of the “*BLS Occupational Safety and Health Statistics (OSHS) Cooperative Agreement application package*.” A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the individual listed below in the Addresses section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the Addresses section of this notice on or before January 16, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Nora Kincaid, BLS Clearance Officer, Division of Management Systems, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 4080, 2 Massachusetts Avenue NE., Washington, DC 20212. Written comments also may be transmitted by fax to 202-691-5111 (this is not a toll free number).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nora Kincaid, BLS Clearance Officer, telephone number 202-691-7628 (this is not a toll free number.) (See **ADDRESSES** section.)

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. Background**

The Secretary of Labor has delegated to the BLS the authority to collect,

compile, and analyze statistical data on work-related injuries and illnesses, as authorized by the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (Pub. L. 91-596). The Cooperative Agreement is designed to allow the BLS to ensure conformance with program objectives. The BLS has full authority over the financial operations of the statistical program. The existing collection of information allows Federal staff to negotiate the Cooperative Agreement with the State Grant Agencies and monitor their financial and programmatic performance and adherence to administrative requirements imposed by the *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (2 CFR 200) and other grant related regulations. The information collected also is used for planning and budgeting at the Federal level and in meeting Federal reporting requirements. The BLS requires financial reporting that will produce the information that is needed to monitor the financial activities of the BLS Occupational Safety and Health Statistics grantees.

The Cooperative Agreement application package being submitted for approval is representative of the package sent every year to state agencies. The work statements included in the Cooperative Agreement application also are representative of what is included in the whole OSHS Cooperative Agreement package. The final Cooperative Agreement, including the work statements, will be submitted separately to the Office of Management and Budget for review of any minor year-to-year information collection burden changes they may contain.

##### **II. Current Action**

Office of Management and Budget clearance is being sought for the OSHS Cooperative Agreement application package. Two new forms, the OSHS

Budget Variance form and the OSHS Federal Reconciliation Worksheet (FRW-B): Additional Activity to Maintain Currency (AAMC) form, are being included in this application package. The OSHS Budget Variance form will be used to request budget variances, or small movements of funds between the OSHS programs prior to closeout. The OSHS FRW-B: AAMC form will be used to reconcile OSHS AAMC expenditures and obligations as part of the closeout process.

##### **III. Desired Focus of Comments**

The BLS is particularly interested in comments that:

- 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.
- 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.

*Title of Collection:* BLS Occupational Safety and Health Statistics Cooperative Agreement Application Package.

*OMB Number:* 1220-0149.

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* State Governments.

Information collection	Respondents	Frequency	Responses	Time	Total hours
BLS-OSHS Work Statements .....	56	1	56	2 hours .....	112
BLS-OSHS2 .....	56	4	224	1 hour .....	224
BLS-OSHS TCF .....	56	1	56	5-10 minutes ....	4.7-9.3
OSHS Budget Variance Request Form .....	0-40	1	0-40	5-25 minutes ....	0-16.7
BLS-OSHS FRW-A: Base Programs .....	56	1	56	20-30 minutes ..	18.7-28
BLS-OSHS FRW-B: AAMC .....	0-10	1	0-10	20-30 minutes ..	0-5
BLS-OSHS Property Listing .....	0-56	1	0-56	20-30 minutes ..	0-28
Total .....	56	.....	392-498	.....	359.4-423
Average Totals .....	56	.....	445	.....	391

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 also will become a matter of public record.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 9th day of November 2017.

**Kimberley D. Hill,**

*Chief, Division of Management Systems.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Bureau of Labor Statistics

#### Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection; request for comment.

**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/or continuing 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. The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is soliciting comments on the proposed extension without change of a currently approved collection of the “*Labor Market Information (LMI) Cooperative Agreement application package*.” A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the individual listed below in the Addresses section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the Addresses section of this notice on or before JANUARY 16, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Nora Kincaid, BLS Clearance Officer, Division of Management Systems, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 4080, 2 Massachusetts Avenue NE., Washington, DC 20212. Written comments also may be transmitted by fax to 202-691-5111 (this is not a toll free number).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nora Kincaid, BLS Clearance Officer, at 202-691-7628 (this is not a toll free number). (See Addresses section.)

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

The BLS enters into Cooperative Agreements with State Workforce Agencies (SWAs) annually to provide financial assistance to the SWAs for the production and operation of the following LMI statistical programs: Current Employment Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics, Occupational Employment Statistics, and Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages. The Cooperative Agreement provides the basis for managing the administrative and financial aspects of these programs.

The existing collection of information allows Federal staff to negotiate the Cooperative Agreement with the SWAs and monitor their financial and programmatic performance and adherence to administrative requirements imposed by the *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (2 CFR 200) and other grant related regulations. The information collected also is used for planning and budgeting at the Federal level and in meeting Federal reporting requirements.

The Cooperative Agreement application package being submitted for approval is representative of the package sent every year to state agencies. The work statements included

in the Cooperative Agreement application also are representative of what is included in the whole LMI Cooperative Agreement package. The final Cooperative Agreement, including the work statements, will be submitted separately to the Office of Management and Budget for review of any minor year-to-year information collection burden changes they may contain.

##### II. Current Action

Office of Management and Budget clearance is being sought for the LMI Cooperative Agreement application package.

##### III. Desired Focus of Comments

The BLS is particularly interested in comments that:

- 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.
- 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.

**Title of Collection:** Labor Market Information (LMI) Cooperative Agreement Application Package.

**OMB Number:** 1220-0079.

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

**Affected Public:** State, Local, or Tribal Governments.

**Frequency:** Monthly, quarterly, annually.

Information collection	Respondents	Frequency	Responses	Time	Total hours
Work Statements .....	54	1	54	1-2 hr .....	54-108
BIF (LMI 1A) .....	54	1	54	1-6 hr .....	54-324
BIF (LMI 1B) .....	0-30	1	0-30	1-6 hr .....	0-180
Quarterly Automated Financial Reports .....	48	4	192	10-50 min .....	32-160
Monthly Automated Financial Reports .....	48	8*	384	5-25 min .....	32-160
BLS Cooperative Statistics Financial Report (LMI 2A) .....	7	12	84	1-5 hr .....	84-420
Quarterly Status Report (LMI 2B) .....	0-30	4	0-120	1 hr .....	0-120
Budget Variance Request Form .....	0-54	1	0-54	5-25 min .....	0-23
Transmittal and Certification Form .....	54	1	54	5-10 min .....	4.5-9
FRW-A: Base Programs .....	54	1	54	20-30 min .....	18-27
FRW-B: AAMC .....	0-30	1	0-30	20-30 min .....	0-15
Property Listing .....	0-54	1	0-54	20-30 min .....	0-27