

(703) 235-1470 (voice), or (703) 235-1563 (facsimile).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The standard 30 CFR section 77.1900 was enacted in 1971 and was amended in 1982 and again in 1995. The standard requires underground coal mine operators to develop a prudent engineered design plan to develop a slope or shaft whenever an operator decides to open such a coal mine. The plan is required by the standard and is to be reviewed and approved by MSHA before the actual hazardous work begins.

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 Slope and Shaft Sinking Plans. 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 technology, 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.gov>) 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

The average 25 slope or shaft development plans that MSHA receives on an annual basis, are reviewed to ensure that the required work is performed in a safe manner, and it protects those miners performing the work. Prudent engineering design does

evolve along with improved machinery to perform the work, but there has not been any revision to the requirements for such a plan.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Mine Safety and Health Administration.

Title: Slope and Shaft Sinking Plans.

OMB Number: 1219-0019.

Recordkeeping: records are normally required to be kept for 3 years.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Cite/Reference/Form/etc: 30 CFR 77.1900.

Total Respondents: 887.

Frequency: whenever an operator decides to develop a slope or shaft.

Total Responses: 48.

Average Time Per Response: 20 hours.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 960.

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

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$720.

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 1, 2001.

Brenda C. Teaster,

Acting Chief, Records Management Division.

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NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LITERACY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Institute for Literacy (NIFL).

ACTION: Notice of information collection.

SUMMARY: The NIFL Director invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before June 8, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Lauren Wittenberg, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address lwittenberg@omb.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Application for Literacy Leader Fellowship Program.

Abstract: The National Institute for Literacy (NIFL) was created by the National Literacy Act of 1991 and amended by the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 and authorized the NIFL to award fellowships to outstanding individuals pursuing careers in adult education or literacy in the areas of instruction, management, research, or innovation. Evaluations to determine successful applications will be made by a panel of literacy experts and information specialists using the published criteria. The NIFL will use this information to issue a minimum of 2-3 fellowships for a period of up to one year.

Burden Statement: The burden for this collection of information is estimated at 52 hours per response for the first year. This estimate includes the time needed to review instructions, complete the form, and review the collection of information. No more than 2-3 applicants will be awarded a fellowship grant. Each awardee will have an annual update of the application requiring an average of 40 hours per response for each continuation year.

Respondents: Public and private nonprofit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 50.

Estimated Number of Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 40 hours.

Frequency of Collection: One time. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden to Jennifer Cromley at the above address.

Request for Comments

Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The NIFL Director publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection contains a burden statement that includes the

estimated burden hours and other relevant information.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://www.nifl.gov/activities/fllwhome.htm> or comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be addressed to Jennifer Cromley, National Institute for Literacy, 1775 I Street, NW., Suite 730, Washington, DC 20006. Requests also may be electronically mailed to the internet jcromley@nifl.gov or faxed to 202-233-2050. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Dated: May 4, 2001.

Carolyn Y. Staley,

Acting Director, NIFL.

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NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND PLACE: 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 15, 2001.

PLACES: NTSB Conference Center, 429 L'Enfant Plaza SW., Washington, DC 20594.

STATUS: The one item is Open to the Public.

MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: 5299G Most wanted Safety Recommendations Program—2001 Update.

News Media Contact: Telephone: (202) 314-6100

Individuals requesting specific accommodation should contact Ms. Carolyn Dargan at (202) 314-6305 by Friday, May 11, 2001.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Vicky D'Onofrio, (202) 314-6065.

Dated: May 4, 2001.

Vicky D'Onofrio,

Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Notice of Public Meeting to Solicit Stakeholder Input on the Use of Risk Information in the Nuclear Materials Regulatory Process: Case Study on Uranium Recovery facilities

AGENCY: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards is developing criteria for determining when risk information should be used in the regulation of nuclear waste and materials. As part of this effort, the NRC staff is conducting case studies on a spectrum of activities in the nuclear materials and waste arenas, including uranium recovery facilities. The purpose of the case studies is (1) to illustrate what has been done and what could be done in the materials and waste arenas to alter the regulatory approach in a risk-informed manner and (2) to establish a framework for using a risk-informed approach in the materials and waste arenas by testing a set of draft screening criteria, and determining the feasibility of safety goals.

NRC staff is in the initial phase of its case study on uranium recovery facilities. The purpose of this meeting is to (1) communicate to stakeholders the status of this case study, and (2) to solicit recommendations and comments on how NRC should proceed with the case study, apply the draft screening criteria, develop safety goals, and incorporate risk information into its regulatory program. The tentative agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1. Opening remarks.
2. Provide background information on the case study effort.
3. Present status of case study.
4. Receive comments, feedback, and recommendations.
5. Closing remarks.

The meeting is open to the public; all interested parties may attend and provide comments. Persons who wish to attend the meeting should contact Marissa Bailey no later than June 7, 2001.

DATES: The meeting will be held on June 13, 2001, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., at the Executive Tower Hotel, 1405 Curtis Street, Denver, Colorado 80202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Marissa Bailey, Mail Stop T-8-A-23, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Telephone: (301) 415-7648; Internet: MGB@NRC.GOV.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NRC staff's case study approach, the draft screening criteria, and the case study areas under consideration are described in the "Plan for Using Risk Information in the Materials and Waste Arenas: Case Studies" which has been published in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 66782, November 7, 2000). Copies of this plan are also available on the Internet at <http://www.nrc.gov/NMSS/IMNS/>

[riskassessment.html](http://www.nrc.gov/NMSS/IMNS/riskassessment.html). Written requests for single copies of this plan may also be submitted to the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards, Risk Task Group, Mail Stop T-8-A-23, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

Dated at Rockville, MD, this 2nd day of May 2001.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Lawrence E. Kokajko,

Section Chief, Risk Task Group, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 35-27390]

Filings Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as Amended ("Act")

May 2, 2001.

Notice is hereby given that the following filing(s) has/have been made with the Commission pursuant to provisions of the Act and rules promulgated under the Act. All interested persons are referred to the application(s) and/or declaration(s) for complete statements of the proposed transaction(s) summarized below. The application(s) and/or declaration(s) and any amendment(s) is/are available for public inspection through the Commission's Branch of Public Reference.

Interested persons wishing to comment or request a hearing on the application(s) and/or declaration(s) should submit their views in writing by May 29, 2001, to the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, DC 20549-0609, and serve a copy on the relevant applicant(s) and/or declarant(s) at the address(es) specified below. Proof of service (by affidavit or, in the case of an attorney at law, by certificate) should be filed with the request. Any request for hearing should identify specifically the issues of facts or law that are disputed. A person who so requests will be notified of any hearing, if ordered, and will receive a copy of any notice or order issue in the matter. After May 29, 2001, the application(s) and/or declaration(s), as filed or as amended, may be granted and/or permitted to become effective.

Allegheny Energy, Inc., et al. (70-9833)

Allegheny Energy, Inc. ("Allegheny"), 10435 Downsville Pike, Hagerstown, Maryland 21740, a registered holding company, and Allegheny Energy Supply