

Total Annualized costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$0.

Description: The purpose of the CM-972 is to collect data to determine if a representative's services and the amounts charged can be paid under the Black Lung Benefits Act (30 U.S.C. 901) and 20 CFR 725.365-6. 20 CFR 725.366 sets forth the specific information required on the CM-972.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

October 1, 2001.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor. To obtain documentation contact Darrin King at (202) 693-4129 or E-Mail: King-Darrin@dol.gov.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: Stuart Shapiro, OMB Desk Officer for MSHA, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 ((202) 395-7316), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB 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 submission of responses.

Agency: Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA).

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Record of Results of Examinations of Self-Rescuers, Underground Coal Mines—30 CFR 75.1714-3(e).

OMB Number: 1219-0044.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Type of Response: Recordkeeping.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Number of Respondents: 887.

Number of Annual Responses: 236,632.

Estimated Time Per Response: 30 minutes to certify an examination and 1 minute to document why a devise is taken out of service.

Total Burden Hours: 118,268.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: \$0.

Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$0.

Description: 30 CFR 75.1714-3(e) requires underground coal mine operators to keep records of the corrective actions taken as a result of required examinations of self-rescue devices. The information is used to insure that the examinations are conducted and that the devises are in operable and usable condition in the event of an emergency.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Bureau of Labor Statistics

Business Research Advisory Council; Notice of Meeting and Agenda

The regular Fall meetings of the Business Research Advisory Council and its committees will be held on October 24 and 25, 2001. All of the meetings will be held in the Conference Center of the Postal Square Building, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Washington, D.C.

The Business Research Advisory Council and its committees advise the Bureau of Labor Statistics with respect to technical matters associated with the Bureau's Programs. Membership consists of technical officials from American business and industry.

The Schedule and agenda for the meeting are as follows:

Wednesday—October 24, 2001—Meeting Rooms 7 & 8

10:00-11:30 a.m.—Committee on Employment and Unemployment Statistics

1. American Time Use Survey (ATUS) update.

2. Current Employment Statistics (CES) update.

a. North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) conversion.

b. Options for collecting hours and earnings for all employees.

c. Discussion of whether to move the earnings concept toward total earnings for the month.

3. Large scale layoffs, employment dynamics, and firm survival: report on BLS research using data from the Mass Layoff Statistics (MLS) program.

4. Discussion of agenda items for the Spring 2002 meeting.

1:00-2:30 p.m.—Committee on Price Indexes

1. Consumer Price Index.

2. Producer Price Index.

3. Import and Export Price Indexes.

4. Discussion of agenda items for the Spring 2002 meeting.

3:00-4:30 p.m.—Committee on Employment Projections

1. Reorganization of the Employment Projections program.

2. Status of the 2000-2010 Projections program.

3. North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) issues.

4. Project plans for Fiscal Year 2002.

5. Discussion of agenda items for the Spring 2002 meeting.

Thursday—October 25, 2001—Meeting Rooms 7 & 8

8:30-10:00 a.m.—Committee on Productivity and Foreign Labor Statistics

1. Capital measurement project for residential housing.

2. Service sector expansion plans.

3. Country expansion possibilities for comparative hourly compensation data.

4. Discussion of agenda items for the Spring 2002 meeting.

8:30-10:00 a.m.—Committee on Occupational Safety and Health Statistics (Concurrent Session, Meeting Room 9)

1. Report on the 2000 Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI).

2. Status of the 2001 Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries.