

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.

III. Current Actions

The Department of Labor seeks the extension of approval for this information collection in order to carry out its responsibility under the law to resolve overpayments under the Acts.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Overpayment Recovery Questionnaire.

OMB Number: 1215-0144.

Agency Number: OWCP-20.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: On occasion.

Total Annual Respondents/

Responses: 4,500.

Time Per Response: 45-75 minutes, average 1 hour.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 4,500.

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

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$1,665.

Claim for Continuance of Compensation (CA-12)

I. Background

Under 5 U.S.C. 8133, Federal Employees' Compensation Act, and 20 CFR 10.410, eligible dependents of deceased Federal employees receive compensation benefits on account of the employee's death. The OWCP monitors death benefits for criteria which qualify the beneficiary as the employee's dependent under law. The CA-12 is designated for this purpose.

II. Review Focus

The Department of Labor 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.

III. Current Actions

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Claim for Continuance of Compensation.

OMB Number: 1215-0154.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: Annually.

Total Annual Respondents/

Responses: 5,900.

Time Per Response: 5 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 492.

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

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$2,006.

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: December 7, 2001.

Margaret J. Sherrill,

Chief, Branch of Management Review and Internal Control, Division of Financial Management, Office of Management, Administration and Planning, Employment Standards Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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. Currently, the Employment Standards Administration is soliciting comments concerning the following information collection: OFCCP Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements: Supply and Service.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below by December 19, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Please submit comments to Ms. Patricia A. Forkel, U. S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave., NW., Room S-3201, Washington, DC 20210, telephone (202) 693-0339 fax (202) 693-1451, EMail pforkel@fenix2.dol-esa.gov. For questions concerning this information collection request, please contact Mr. James Melvin, U. S. Department of Labor, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, telephone (202) 693-0102.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Office of Federal Contract Compliance is responsible for the administration of equal opportunity programs prohibiting employment discrimination and requiring affirmative action and applies to Federal contractors and subcontractors. OFCCP administers three programs: Executive Order 11246, as amended; Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; and the affirmative action provisions of the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as amended, (VEVRAA), 38 USC 4212. This information collection contains all recordkeeping and reporting requirements which are derived from the implementing regulations found at Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations, chapter 60.

II. Review Focus

The Department of Labor 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.

III. Current Actions

The Department of Labor (DOL) is seeking an extension of this information

collection in order to substantiate compliance with nondiscrimination and affirmative action requirements monitored by OFCCP.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: OFCCP Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements: Supply and Service.

OMB Number: 1215-0072.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Total Annual Respondents/Responses: 95,311.

| Requirements | Average hours per response | Frequency | Number of responses |
|---|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Recordkeeping: | | | |
| Initial Development of AAP | 112.65 | Once | 953 |
| Update of AAP | 51.14 | Annually | 95,054 |
| Maintenance of AAP | 51.14 | Annually | 94,358 |
| Uniform Guidelines on Employee Selection Procedures | 2.18 | Annually | 5,750 |
| Reporting: | | | |
| Standard Form 100 | 3.8 | Annually | 36,741 |
| Scheduling Letter | 4.5 | On occasion | 2,595 |
| Compliance Check Letter | .4 | On occasion | 2,000 |

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 9,967,675.

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

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$23,096.

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: December 7, 2001.

Margaret J. Sherrill,

Chief, Branch of Management Review and Internal Control, Division of Financial Management, Office of Management, Administration and Planning, Employment Standards Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. ICR-1218-0130(2002)]

Electrical Standards for Construction (29 CFR part 1926, subpart K); 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: Request for comment.

SUMMARY: OSHA solicits comment concerning its proposal to increase the existing burden-hour estimates for, and to extend OMB approval of, the information-collection requirements of the Electrical Standards for

Construction (29 CFR part 1926, subpart K).¹ These standards specify: Written descriptions of, and testing records for, the assured-equipment grounding-conductor program; warning labels and marks to alert employees to hazardous electrical conditions; and tags to warn against energizing circuits and equipment on which employees are working. Accordingly, these standards prevent deaths and severe injuries among construction employees caused by high-voltage electrical hazards.

DATES: Submit written comments on or before February 19, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to the Docket Office, Docket No. ICR-1218-0130(2002), 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 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-3621, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693-2444. A copy of the Agency's Information-Collection Request (ICR) supporting the need for the information collections specified by the Electrical Standards for Construction is available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office, or by requesting a copy

¹ Based on its assessment of the paperwork requirements contained in these standards, the Agency estimates that the total burden hours increased compared to its previous burden-hour estimate. Under this notice, OSHA is *not* proposing to revise these paperwork requirements in any substantive manner, only to increase the burden hours imposed by the existing paperwork requirements.

from Theda Kenney at (202)693-2044 or Todd Owen at (202)693-2444. For electronic copies of the ICR, contact OSHA on the Internet at <http://www.osha.gov>, then 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)(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 information-collection burden is correct.

The Electrical Standards for Construction contain a number of paperwork requirements. The following sections describe these requirements in detail.

Section 1926.404(b)(1)(iii) ("Wiring design and protection"). This paragraph requires construction employers who elect not to use ground-fault-circuit interrupters at a job site to establish and implement an assured-equipment grounding-conductor (AEGC) program. This program must cover cord sets, receptacles (that are not part of the building or structure), and equipment connected by cord and plug that employees use, or is available for their use, at construction sites. An employer must ensure that the AEGC program has a written description of the program,