

in the **Federal Register** on July 1, 2010 (75 FR 38142). On August 19, 2010, the Department issued a Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration applicable to workers of the subject firm. The Notice was published in the **Federal Register** on August 30, 2010 (75 FR 52989). The workers produced precipitated calcium carbonate used in the production of paper.

In the request for reconsideration, the company official asserted that workers of the subject firm are eligible to apply for TAA as adversely affected secondary workers because the precipitated calcium carbonate was supplied to a "paper mill" that employed a worker group eligible to apply for TAA and identified the firm covered by TA-W-72,764 as the primary firm.

Section 222(c) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, states that adversely affected secondary workers must be employed by a firm that is a supplier to a firm that employed a worker group who are adversely affected primary workers.

The Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration was based on the Department's determination that, because the workers covered by TA-W-72,764 are certified eligible to apply for TAA as adversely affected secondary workers, the criteria of Section 222(c) was not met.

Subsequent to the issuance of the Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration, the Department issued an amended certification of TA-W-72,764 which identified those workers as eligible to apply for TAA as primary workers instead of adversely affected secondary workers.

After careful review of previously-submitted information and the additional facts obtained on reconsideration, I determine that workers of Specialty Minerals, Inc., Franklin, Virginia, who are engaged in employment related to the production of precipitated calcium carbonate used in the production of paper, meet the worker group certification criteria under Section 222(c) of the Act, 19 U.S.C. 2272(c). In accordance with Section 223 of the Act, 19 U.S.C. 2273, I make the following certification:

All workers of Specialty Minerals, Inc., Franklin, Virginia, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after May 6, 2009, through two years from the date of this revised certification, and all workers in the group threatened with total or partial separation from employment on date of certification through two years from the date of certification, are eligible to apply for

adjustment assistance under Chapter 2 of Title II of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

Signed in Washington, DC, this 22nd day of December 2010.

**Del Min Amy Chen,**

*Certifying Officer, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Bureau of Labor Statistics

#### 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 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 (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. The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed revision of the "Consumer Price Index Commodities and Services Survey." A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) 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 March 14, 2011.

**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, 202-691-7628 (this is not a toll free number). (See **ADDRESSES** section.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### I. Background

Under the direction of the Secretary of Labor, the Bureau of Labor Statistics

(BLS) is directed by law to collect, collate, and report full and complete statistics on the conditions of labor and the products and distribution of the products of the same; the Consumer Price Index (CPI) is one of these statistics. The collection of data from a wide spectrum of retail establishments and government agencies is essential for the timely and accurate calculation of the Commodities and Services (C&S) component of the CPI.

The CPI is the only index compiled by the U.S. Government that is designed to measure changes in the purchasing power of the urban consumer's dollar. The CPI is a measure of the average change in prices over time paid by urban consumers for a market basket of goods and services. The CPI is used most widely as a measure of inflation, and serves as an indicator of the effectiveness of government economic policy. It is also used as a deflator of other economic series, that is, to adjust other series for price changes and to translate these series into inflation-free dollars. Examples include retail sales, hourly and weekly earnings, and components of the Gross Domestic Product. A third major use of the CPI is to adjust income payments. Almost 2 million workers are covered by collective bargaining contracts, which provide for increases in wage rates based on increases in the CPI. Similarly, ten States have laws that link the adjustment in State minimum wage to the changes in the CPI. In addition to private sector workers whose wages or pensions are adjusted according to changes in the CPI, the index also affects the income of nearly 75 million persons, largely as a result of statutory action: About 48 million social security beneficiaries; about 4.1 million retired military and Federal Civil Service employees and survivors, and about 22.4 million food stamp recipients. Changes in the CPI also affect the 26.7 million children who eat lunch at school. Under the National School Lunch Act and Child Nutrition Act, national average payments for those lunches and breakfasts are adjusted annually by the Secretary of Agriculture on the basis of the change in the CPI series, "Food away from Home." Since 1985, the CPI has been used to adjust the Federal income tax structure to prevent inflation-induced tax rate increases.

#### II. Current Action

Office of Management and Budget clearance is being sought for the Consumer Price Index Commodities and Services Survey. The continuation of the collection of prices for the CPI is

essential since the CPI is the nation's chief source of information on retail price changes. If the information on C&S prices were not collected, Federal fiscal and monetary policies would be hampered due to the lack of information on price changes in a major sector of the U.S. economy, and estimates of the real value of the Gross National Product could not be made. The consequences to both the Federal and private sectors would be far reaching and would have serious repercussions on Federal government policy and institutions.

The CPI is seeking to expand the number of CPI commodity and services prices quotes collected by 50 percent beginning in 2011 to improve the accuracy of each published index and the overall quality of the CPI data.

**III. Desired Focus of Comments**

The Bureau of Labor Statistics 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.

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

*Agency:* Bureau of Labor Statistics.

*Title:* Consumer Price Index Commodities and Services Survey.

*OMB Number:* 1220-0039.

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

	Total respondents	Frequency	Total responses	Average time per response	Estimated total burden
Pricing .....	54,461	8.8531	482,149	0.33	159,109
Outlet Rotation .....	20,809	1	20,809	1.0	20,809
Total .....	75,270	n/a	502,958	n/a	179,918

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* \$0.0.

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance):* \$0.0.

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 also will become a matter of public record.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 7th day of January 2011.

**Kimberley Hill,**

*Chief, Division of Management Systems, Bureau of Labor Statistics.*

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**NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[Notice (11-003)]

**NASA Advisory Council; Education and Public Outreach Committee; Meeting**

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a meeting of the Education and Public Outreach Committee of the NASA Advisory Council (NAC).

**DATES:** Tuesday, February 8, 2011, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Local Time.

**ADDRESSES:** NASA Headquarters, 300 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20546, The Glennan Conference Center, Room 1Q39.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** This meeting will also take place telephonically and via WebEx. Any interested person should contact Ms. Erika G. Vick, Executive Secretary for the Education and Public Outreach Committee, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC, at *Erika.vick-1@nasa.gov*, no later than 4 p.m., local time, February 4, 2011, to get further information about participating via teleconference and/or WebEx.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The agenda for the meeting includes the following topics:

- Strategic Review Team Status
- Education Design Team Status
- Committee Recommendations Status
- Joint Recommendation with the NAC Commercial Space Committee
- Committee Work Plan
- Action Item Status

The meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. It is imperative that the meeting be held on this date to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will need to show a valid picture identification such as a driver's license to enter the NASA Headquarters building (West Lobby—

Visitor Control Center), and must state that they are attending the NASA Advisory Council Education and Public Outreach Committee meeting in the Glennan Conference Center, Room 1Q39, before receiving an access badge. All non-U.S. citizens must fax a copy of their passport, and print or type their name, current address, citizenship, company affiliation (if applicable) to include address, telephone number, and their title, place of birth, date of birth, U.S. visa information to include type, number, and expiration date, U.S. Social Security Number (if applicable), and place and date of entry into the U.S., fax to Erika Vick, NASA Advisory Council Education and Public Outreach Committee Executive Secretary, FAX: (202) 358-4332, by no later than Monday, January 31, 2011. To expedite admittance, attendees with U.S. citizenship can provide identifying information 3 working days in advance by contacting Erika Vick via e-mail at *erika.vick-1@nasa.gov* or by telephone at (202) 358-2209 or fax: (202) 358-4332.

Dated: January 6, 2011.

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*Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.*

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