**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Mine Safety and Health Administration**

[OMB Control No. 1219–0066]

**Proposed Extension of Information Collection; Permissible Equipment Testing**

**AGENCY:** Mine Safety and Health Administration, Labor.

**ACTION:** Request for public comments.

**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 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. Currently, the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is soliciting comments on the information collection for Permissible Equipment Testing.

**DATES:** All comments must be received on or before January 16, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments concerning the information collection requirements of this notice may be sent by any of the following methods:

- Regular Mail: Send comments to USDOL–MSHA, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 201 12th Street South, Suite 4E401, Arlington, VA 22202–5452.
- Hand Delivery: USDOL—Mine Safety and Health Administration, 201 12th Street South, Suite 4E401, Arlington, VA 22202–5452. Sign in at the receptionist’s desk on the 4th floor via the East elevator.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sheila McConnell, Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, MSHA, at MSHA.information.collections@dol.gov (email); (202) 693–9440 (voice); or (202) 693–9441 (facsimile).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

Section 103(h) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Mine Act), 30 U.S.C. 813(h), authorizes MSHA to collect information necessary to carry out its duty in protecting the safety and health of miners. Further, section 101(a) of the Mine Act, 30 U.S.C. 811, authorizes the Secretary of Labor to develop, promulgate, and revise as may be appropriate, improved mandatory health or safety standards for the protection of life and prevention of injuries in coal or other mines.

MSHA is responsible for the inspection, testing approval and certification, and quality control of mining equipment and components, materials, instruments, and explosives used in both underground and surface coal, metal, and nonmetal mines. Title 30 Code of Federal Regulations parts 6 through 36 contain procedures by which manufacturers may apply for and have equipment approved as “permissible” for use in mines.

**II. Desired Focus of Comments**

MSHA is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection related to Permissible Equipment Testing. MSHA is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of MSHA’s estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Suggest methods to 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.

The information collection request will be available on http://www.regulations.gov. MSHA cautions the commenter against providing any information in the submission that should not be publicly disclosed. Full comments, including personal information provided, will be made available on www.regulations.gov and www.reginfo.gov.

The public may also examine publicly available documents at USDOL—Mine Safety and Health Administration, 201 12th South, Suite 4E401, Arlington, VA 22202–5452. Sign in at the receptionist’s desk on the 4th floor via the East elevator.

Questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this notice.

**III. Current Actions**

This request for collection of information contains provisions for Permissible Equipment Testing. MSHA has updated the data with respect to the number of respondents, responses, burden hours, and burden costs supporting this information collection request.

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

**Agency:** Mine Safety and Health Administration.

**OMB Number:** 1219–0066.

**Affected Public:** Business or other for-profit.

**Number of Respondents:** 139.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

**Number of Responses:** 296.

**Annual Burden Hours:** 3,198 hours.

**Annual Respondent or Recordkeeper Cost:** $1,732,175.

**MSHA Forms:** MSHA Form 2000–38, Electrically Operated Mining Equipment U.S. Department of Labor Field Approval Application (Coal Operator).

*Reports are not received for end-of-quarter months, i.e., December, March, June, and September.*

### Information collection

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Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and 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.

Sheila McConnell,
Certifying Officer.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the agenda of the forthcoming meeting of the National Museum and Library Services Board. This notice also describes the function of the Board. Notice of the meeting is required under the Sunshine in Government Act.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, November 30, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. and 1:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. EST

Agenda: Thirty-Sixth Meeting of the National Museum and Library Service Board Meeting: 9:00 a.m.–12:15 p.m.
Thirty-Sixth Meeting of the National Museum and Library Service Board Meeting:
I. Welcome and Director’s Report
II. Approval of Minutes
III. Program Speaker
IV. Financial and Operations Report
V. Office of Museum Services Report
VI. Office of Library Report
VII. Office of Digital and Information Strategy Report
VIII. Special Report—Office of Communications
IX. Adjourn
(Open to the Public)
1:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.—Executive Session
(Closed to the Public)

PLACE: The meeting will be held at the IMLS Offices, Panel Room, Suite 4000, 955 L’Enfant Plaza North SW., Washington, DC 20024

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Cynthia Richardson, Contracting Officer, Office of Finance and Administrative Management, Merit Systems Protection Board, 1615 M Street NW., Suite 4000, 955 L’Enfant Plaza North SW., Washington, DC 20024,
telephone: (202) 653–4798.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Museum and Library Services Board, which advises the Director of the Institute of Museum and Library Services on general policies with respect to the duties, powers, and authority of the Institute relating to museum, library and information services, will meet on November 30, 2017. The Thirty-Sixth Meeting on Thursday, November 30, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., is open to the public. The Executive Session, which will be held from 1:15–2:30 p.m., will be closed pursuant to subsections (c)(4) and (c)(9) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code because the Board will consider information that may disclose: Trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileges or confidential; and information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact: Institute of Museum and Library Services, 955 L’Enfant Plaza North SW., Suite 4000, Washington, DC 20024, Telephone: (202) 653–4796, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: November 15, 2017.

Danette Hensley
Staff Assistant, Office of General Counsel.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
Advisory Committee for Integrative Activities: Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, as amended), the National Science Foundation (NSF) announces the following meeting:

NAME AND COMMITTEE CODE: Advisory Committee for Integrative Activities (#1373).

DATES AND TIMES:
December 13, 2017; 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
December 14, 2017; 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

PLACE: National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314.

To help facilitate your entry into the building, please contact Dr. Bernice Anderson via email at banderso@nsf.gov or by phone at 703.292.8040 on or prior to December 12, 2017.

TYPE OF MEETING: Part-Open.

CONTACT PERSON: Dr. Bernice Anderson, Senior Advisor, Office of Integrative Activities (OIA), Room W17124, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314. Contact Information: 703–292–8040/banderso@nsf.gov.

PURPOSE OF MEETING: To provide advice and recommendations concerning the use of and the need for the Science and Technology Policy Institute.

Agenda

Wednesday, December 13, 2017

• 9:30 a.m.–Noon (Open): Welcome, Charge to the Panel, Overview and History of the Science and Technology Policy Institute (STPI), and STPI Research Presentation
• 1:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m. (Open): Presentation and Briefings by the Office of Science and Technology Representatives; Discussions about the Need for and Use of STPI

Thursday, December 14, 2017

• 9:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m.: (Open)—Presentations/Briefings by NSF and Other Government Clients
• 11:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.: (Closed) Review of the Contract and Report Writing