

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 Ground Control for Surface Coal Mines and Surface Work Areas of Underground Coal Mines.

DATES: All comments must be received on or before January 28, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Comments concerning the information collection requirements of this notice may be sent by any of the methods listed below.

- **Federal E-Rulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments for docket number MSHA–2018–0039.

- **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

Each operator of a surface coal mine is required under 30 CFR 77.1000 to establish and follow a ground control plan for highwalls, pits, and spoil banks that is consistent with prudent engineering design and which will ensure safe working conditions. The mine operator is required by section 77.1000–1 to file the ground control plan with the appropriate District Manager. The mining methods employed by the operator are selected to ensure highwall, pit, and spoil bank stability. In the event of a highwall failure or material dislodgment, there may be very little time to escape possible injury; therefore, preventive measures must be taken. Each plan is based on the type of strata expected to be encountered, the height and angle of highwalls and spoil banks, and the equipment to be used at the mine. The plan is used to show how the mine operator will maintain safe working conditions around the highwalls, pits,

and spoil banks. Each plan is reviewed by MSHA to ensure that highwalls, pits, and spoil banks are maintained in a safe condition through the use of sound engineering design.

II. Desired Focus of Comments

MSHA is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection related to Ground Control for Surface Coal Mines and Surface Work Areas of Underground Coal Mines. 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 Street 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 Ground Control for Surface Coal Mines and Surface Work Areas of Underground Coal Mines. 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: 1219–0026.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 270.

Frequency: On occasion.

Number of Responses: 270.

Annual Burden Hours: 1,848 hours.

Annual Respondent or Recordkeeper Cost: \$513.

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.

Roslyn B. Fontaine,
Certifying Officer.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION OF THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Arts

Membership of the National Endowment for the Arts Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board

SUMMARY: This notice announces the membership of the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Senior Executive Service (SES) Performance Review Board (PRB).

DATES: *Applicable Date:* November 15, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Send comments concerning this notice to: National Endowment for the Arts, 400 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20506.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Craig McCord Sr. by telephone at (202) 682–5473 or by email at mccordc@arts.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 4314 (c)(1) through (5) of Title 5, U.S.C., requires each agency to establish, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Office of Personnel Management, one or more SES Performance Review Boards. The Board shall review and evaluate the initial appraisal of a senior executive's performance by the supervisor, along with any response by the senior executive, and make recommendations to the appointing authority relative to the performance of the senior executive.

The following persons have been selected to serve on the Performance Review Board of the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA):

Michael Griffin—Chief of Staff, NEA
Ann Eilers—Deputy Chairman for
Management & Budget, NEA
Sunil Iyengar—Director, Research &
Analysis, NEA
Jeanette Duncan—Chief Information
Officer, NEA
Tony Chauveaux—Deputy Chairman for
Programs & Partnerships, NEA
Adam Wolfson—Assistant Chairman for
Programs, NEH
Nancy Weiss—General Counsel, IMLS

Dated: November 26, 2018.

Gregory Gendron,

*Director of Administrative Services, National
Endowment for the Arts.*

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Office of the Director of
National Intelligence (ODNI).

ACTION: Notice of a new system of
records.

SUMMARY: ODNI provides notice that it
is establishing one new Privacy Act
system of records at the National
Counterintelligence and Security Center
(NCSC). This new system of records is
titled the NCSC Continuous Evaluation
System, also identified as ODNI/NCSC–
003. This notice is necessary to inform
the public of the existence and character
of records that the agency maintains.

Continuous Evaluation (CE) is a
personnel security investigative process
used to review the continued eligibility
of individuals who have been
determined eligible for access to
classified information or to hold a
sensitive position. Individuals subject to
CE include current Executive Branch
employees, detailees, contractors, and
other sponsored individuals who are
cleared for access to classified
information or to hold a sensitive
position. The Departments and Agencies
(D/As) that sponsor these individuals
for access to classified information or to
hold a sensitive position “enroll” the
individuals (enrollees) for CE by
electronically entering their identifying
information into a technical system that
carries out the CE capability.

All D/As are required to submit their
qualifying populations to CE. D/As may
choose to develop a technical CE system
of their own, or subscribe to CE services
provided by another agency. The ODNI/
NCSC will provide CE services to
subscribing agencies. The NCSC CE
System leverages electronic checks of

government and commercial databases
and, based on automated business rules,
transmits alerts and reports to the
enrolling D/A. Datasets queried in the
CE process are those that contain
security-relevant information, *e.g.*,
government-owned financial, law
enforcement, terrorism, foreign travel,
and current clearance status
information. Credit data and
commercially-obtained aggregated data
also is utilized. On receipt of the
electronic prompt, the personnel
security function at the enrolling agency
verifies that the alert or report received
pertains to the enrollee (the subject of
the electronic queries). Where the
agency verifies that the alert or report
pertains to the enrollee, appropriate
personnel security officials review the
nature of the alert or report to determine
the need for further investigation, as
dictated by Federal Investigative
Standards requirements. Information
obtained through the follow-on
investigation is considered in
adjudicating the enrollee’s continued
eligibility for access to classified
information or to hold a sensitive
position.

The NCSC CE System retains the
enrollment information (personal
identifiers as provided by the enrolling
D/A) in order to facilitate ongoing CE
checks. The system does not retain the
records returned from the electronic
database queries beyond the time
needed to ensure proper electronic
delivery to the enrolling agency. Data
necessary to implement CE business
rules, to perform program assessments,
and to satisfy auditing requirements will
be retained.

D/As conducting CE will adhere to
the principles articulated in the Security
Executive Agent Directive (SEAD)
relating to CE (*i.e.*, SEAD 6). A SEAD
provides high level guidance and
instruction for the conduct of a
personnel security process. SEAD 6
establishes policy and requirements
specifically related to CE.

DATES: This System of Records will go
into effect on December 31, 2018, unless
comments are received that result in a
contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments
by any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Email: transparency@dni.gov.

Mail: Director, Information
Management Division, Strategy &
Engagement, ODNI, Washington, DC
20511.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Director, Information Management
Division, Strategy & Engagement, Office

of the Director of National Intelligence,
at the addresses provided above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NCSC
CE System implements the requirements
of Executive Orders 12968, as amended
(Access to Classified Information) and
13467, as amended, (Reforming
Processes Related to Suitability for
Government Employment, Fitness for
Contractor Employees, and Eligibility
for Access to Classified National
Security Information).

To protect classified and sensitive
personnel or law enforcement
information covered by this new system
of records, the Director of National
Intelligence (DNI) is proposing to
exempt this system from certain
requirements of the Privacy Act where
necessary, as permitted by law.
Accordingly, as required by the Privacy
Act, a proposed rule is being published
concurrently with this notice seeking
public comment regarding exemptions
claimed for this system. By previously
established rule, the DNI may exercise
derivative exemption authority by
preserving the exempt status of records
received from providing agencies when
the reason for the exemption remains
valid. See 32 CFR part 1701.20 (a)(2) (73
FR 16531, 16537).

SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER:

Continuous Evaluation Records
(ODNI/NCSC–003).

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

The classification of records in this
system ranges from UNCLASSIFIED to
TOP SECRET.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

National Counterintelligence and
Security Center, Office of the Director of
National Intelligence, Washington, DC
20511.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S):

Assistant Director, Special Security
Directorate, ODNI/NCSC, Washington,
DC 20511.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

The Intelligence Reform and
Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004,
Public Law 108–458, 118 Stat. 3638
(Dec. 17, 2004); the National Security
Act of 1947, as amended, 50 U.S.C. 3023
et seq.; the Counterintelligence
Enhancement Act of 2002, as amended,
50 U.S.C. 3382; Executive Order 12333,
46 FR 59941 (1981), as amended by
Executive Order 13284, 68 FR 4075
(2003), Executive Order 13355, 69 FR
53593 (2004), and Executive Order
13470, 73 FR 45325 (2008); Executive
Order 13488, 74 FR 4111 (2009), as
amended by Executive Order 13764, 82