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Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has submitted the information collection request titled Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (EEOICPA) Special Exposure Cohort to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. CDC previously published a “Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations” notice on July 5, 2019 to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. CDC did not receive comments related to the previous notice. This notice serves to allow an additional 30 days for public and affected agency comments.

CDC will accept all comments for this proposed information collection project. The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments that:

(a) 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;
(b) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
(c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;
(d) 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; and
(e) Assess information collection costs.

To request additional information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, call (404) 639–7570 or send an email to omb@cdc.gov. Direct written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice to the Attention: CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503 or by fax to (202) 395–5806. Provide written comments within 30 days of notice publication.

Proposed Project

Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (EEOICPA), 42 U.S.C. 7384–7385 [1994, supp. 2001] was enacted. The Act established a compensation program to provide a lump sum payment of $150,000 and medical benefits as compensation to covered employees suffering from designated illnesses incurred as a result of their exposure to radiation, beryllium, or silica while in the performance of duty for the Department of Energy and certain of its vendors, contractors and subcontractors. This legislation also provided for payment of compensation for certain survivors of these covered employees. This program has been mandated to be in effect until Congress ends the funding.

Among other duties, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) was directed to establish and implement procedures for considering petitions by
classes of nuclear weapons workers to be added to the “Special Exposure
Cohort” (the “Cohort”). In brief, EEOICPA authorizes HHS to designate
such classes of employees for addition to the Cohort when NIOSH lacks
sufficient information to estimate with sufficient accuracy the radiation
doses of the employees, and if HHS also finds that the health of members of the class
may have been endangered by the radiation dose the class potentially
incurred. HHS must also obtain the advice of the Advisory Board on
Radiation and Worker Health (the “Board”) in establishing such findings.

On May 28, 2004, HHS issued a rule that established procedures for adding
such classes to the Cohort (42 CFR part 83). The rule was amended on July 10,
2007.

The HHS rule authorizes a variety of respondents to submit petitions.
Petitioners are required to provide the information specified in the rule to
qualify their petitions for a complete evaluation by HHS and the Board. HHS
has developed two forms to assist the petitioners in providing this required
information efficiently and completely. Form A is a one-page form to be used
by EEOICPA claimants for whom NIOSH has attempted to conduct dose
reconstructions and has determined that available information is not sufficient to
complete the dose reconstruction. Form B, accompanied by separate
instructions, is intended for all other petitioners. Forms A and B can be
submitted electronically as well as in hard copy. Respondent/petitioners
should be aware that HHS is not requiring respondents to use the forms.
Respondents can choose to submit petitions as letters or in other formats,
but petitions must meet the informational requirements stated in the
rule. NIOSH expects, however, that all
petitioners for whom Form A would be
appropriate will actually use the form,
since NIOSH will provide it to them
upon determining that their dose
reconstruction cannot be completed and encourage them to submit the petition.

NIOSH expects the large majority of
petitioners for whom Form B would be
appropriate will also use the form, since
it provides a simple, organized format
for addressing the informational
requirements of a petition.

NIOSH will use the information
obtained through the petition for the
following purposes: (a) Identify the
petitioner(s), obtain their contact
information, and establish that the
petitioner(s) is qualified and intends to
petition HHS; (b) establish an initial
definition of the class of employees
being proposed to be considered for
addition to the Cohort; (c) determine
whether there is justification to require
HHS to evaluate whether or not to
designate the proposed class as an
addition to the Cohort (such an
evaluation involves potentially
extensive data collection, analysis, and
related deliberations by NIOSH, the
Board, and HHS); and, (d) target an
evaluation by HHS to examine relevant
potential limitations of radiation
monitoring and/or dosimetry-relevant
records and to examine the potential for
related radiation exposures that might
have endangered the health of members of the class.

Finally, under the rule, petitioners
may contest the proposed decision of
the HHS Secretary to add or deny
adding classes of employees to the
cohort by submitting evidence that the
proposed decision relies on a record of
either factual or procedural errors in the
implementation of these procedures.
NIOSH estimates that the average
time to prepare and submit such a challenge
is 5 hours. Because of the uniqueness of
this submission, NIOSH is not providing
a form. The submission will typically be
in the form of a letter to the Secretary.
There are no changes to the previously
approved information collection forms,
submission procedures, or burden
estimates.

There are no costs to respondents
unless a respondent/petitioner chooses
to purchase the services of an expert in
doese reconstruction, an option provided
for under the rule. The total estimated
burden hours are 41.

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In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
has submitted the information collection request titled Extended Evaluation of the National Tobacco Prevention and Control Public Education Campaign to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. CDC previously published a “Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations” notice on April 23, 2019 to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. CDC did not receive comments related to the