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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—National Spectrum Consortium

Notice is hereby given that, on October 23, 2019, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* (“the Act”), National Spectrum Consortium (“NSC”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act’s provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances.

Specifically, Parallel Wireless, Inc., Nashua, NH; Concurrent Technologies Corporation, Johnstown, PA; Aether Argus Inc., Atlanta, GA; Selex Galileo Inc., Arlington, VA; NEC Corporation of America, Irving, TX; A10 Systems LLC, Chelmsford, MA; The Kenjya-Trusant Group, LLC, Columbia, MD; iPosi Inc., Denver, CO; Intel Federal LLC, Fairfax, VA; Old Dominion University Research Foundation, Norfolk, VA; Starry, Inc., Boston, MA; QuayChain, Inc., San Pedro, CA; Wind Talker Innovations Inc., Fife, WA; Ewing Engineered Solutions, Allen, TX; Ericsson, Inc., Plano, TX; AnTrust, Clarksville, MD; Novowi LLC, Brookline, MA; Frequency Electronics, Inc., Uniondale, NY; GATR Technologies, Huntsville, AL; T-Mobile USA Inc., Washington, DC; GreenSight Agronomics, Inc., Boston, MA; Otava, Inc., Moorestown, NJ; William Marsh Rice University, Houston, TX; Thinklogical, LLC, Milford, CT; Blue Danube Systems, Inc., Santa Clara, CA; MixComm, Inc., Chatham, NJ; American Systems Corporation, Chantilly, VA; University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK; Qubittek, Inc., Bakerfield, CA; LocatorX, Inc., Suwanne, GA; Technology Unlimited Group, San Diego, CA; and Synoptic Engineering,

LLC, Arlington, VA, have been added as parties to this venture.

Also, Avionics Test & Analysis Corporation, Niceville, FL; Veritech, LLC, Glendale, AZ; and Bascom Hunter Technologies, Inc., Baton Rouge, LA, have withdrawn as parties from this venture.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and NSC intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On September 24, 2014, NSC filed its original notification pursuant to Section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on November 4, 2014 (79 FR 65424).

The last notification was filed with the Department on August 13, 2019. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on September 13, 2019 (84 FR 48377).

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Request for State or Federal Workers’ Compensation Information

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL) is soliciting comments concerning a proposed extension for the authority to conduct the information collection request (ICR) titled, “Notice of Issuance of Insurance Policy.” This comment request is part of continuing Departmental efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA).

DATES: Consideration will be given to all written comments received by January 13, 2020.

ADDRESSES: A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation; including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of responses, and estimated total burden may be obtained free by contacting Anjanette Suggs by telephone at 202-354-9660 or by email at suggs.anjanette@dol.gov.

Submit written comments about, or requests for a copy of, this ICR by mail or courier to the U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Workers’ Compensation Program, Division of Coal Mine Workers’ Compensation, Room S3323, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210; by email: suggs.anjanette@dol.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Anjanette Suggs by telephone at 202-354-9660 or by email at suggs.anjanette@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DOL, as part of continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information before submitting them to the OMB for final approval. This program helps to ensure 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 can be properly assessed.

The Black Lung Benefits Act (the Act), 30 U.S.C. 901-944, requires coal mine operators to be insured (either by qualifying as a self-insurer or obtaining commercial insurance) for liabilities arising from the Act; failure to do so may result in civil money penalties. 30 U.S.C. 933. Accordingly, 20 CFR part V, subpart C, 726.208-.213 requires insurance carriers to report to the Division of Coal Mine Workers’ Compensation (DCMWC) each policy and endorsement issued, cancelled, or renewed with respect to operators in such a manner and on such form as DCMWC may require. These regulations also require carriers to file a separate report for each operator it insures. Carriers use Form CM-921, Notice of Issuance of Insurance Policy, to report issuance of insurance policies to operators. This information collection is currently approved for use through November 30, 2019. 30 U.S.C. 901 and 20 CFR 725.535 authorizes this information collection.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless the OMB under the PRA approves it and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of

information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6.

Interested parties are encouraged to provide comments to the contact shown in the **ADDRESSES** section. Written comments will receive consideration, and summarized and included in the request for OMB approval of the final ICR. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention 1240-0048.

Submitted comments will also be a matter of public record for this ICR and posted on the internet, without redaction. The DOL encourages commenters not to include personally identifiable information, confidential business data, or other sensitive statements/information in any comments.

The DOL 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; 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.

Agency: DOL-OWCP.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title of Collection: Notice of Issuance of Insurance Policy.

Form: Notice of Issuance of Insurance Policy, CM-921.

OMB Control Number: 1240-0048.

Affected Public: Federal government, State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,450.

Frequency: Annually.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 3,450.

Estimated Average Time per Response: 1 minute.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 58 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Other Cost Burden: \$0.

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 901 and 20 CFR 725.535.

Anjanette Suggs,

Agency Clearance Officer.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

Submission of Information Collection for OMB Review; Comment Request; Annual Reporting (Form 5500 Series)

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of request for extension of OMB approval, with modifications.

SUMMARY: The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) is requesting that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) extend approval, with modifications, under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, of its collection of information for Annual Reporting. This notice informs the public of PBGC's request and solicits public comment on the collection.

DATES: Comments must be submitted by December 13, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, via electronic mail at *OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov* or by fax to (202) 395-6974.

A copy of the request will be posted on PBGC's website at: <https://www.pbgc.gov/prac/laws-and-regulations/information-collections-under-omb-review>. It may also be obtained without charge by writing to the Disclosure Division of the Office of the General Counsel of PBGC, 1200 K Street NW, Washington, DC 20005-4026; faxing a request to 202-326-4042; or, calling 202-326-4040 during normal business hours (TTY users may call the Federal Relay Service toll-free at 800-877-8339 and ask to be connected to 202-326-4040). The Disclosure Division will email, fax, or mail the information to you, as you request.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Levin (*levin.karen@pbgc.gov*), Attorney, Regulatory Affairs Division, Office of the General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street NW, Washington, DC 20005-4026, 202 229-3559. TTY users may call the Federal Relay Service toll-free at 800-877-8339 and ask to be connected to 202-229-3559.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Annual reporting to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), the Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA), and the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) is required by law for most employee benefit plans. For example, section 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) requires annual reporting to PBGC for pension plans covered by title IV of ERISA. To accommodate these filing requirements, IRS, EBSA and PBGC have jointly promulgated the Form 5500 Series, which includes the Form 5500 Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan and the Form 5500-SF Short Form Annual Return/Report of Small Employee Benefit Plan.

PBGC is proposing modifications to the 2020 Schedule R (Retirement Plan Information) and its related instructions. Schedule R is part of the Form 5500 Series. The proposed modifications to Schedule R affect multiemployer defined benefit plans covered by title IV of ERISA. PBGC also is proposing minor modifications to the Form 5500 Series to improve the accuracy of reported information. The modifications are described in greater detail in the supporting statement submitted to OMB with this information collection, along with PBGC's rationale for each modification.

Section 103(f)(2)(C) of ERISA requires that a multiemployer defined benefit plan include in its annual report, "[t]he number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no contributions were made by an employer as an employer of the participant for such plan year and for each of the 2 preceding plan years." Line 14a of Schedule R requires the plan to report the inactive participant counts for the current plan year's filing. Lines 14b and 14c require the plan to report the inactive participant counts for the previous two respective plan years. PBGC has found a majority of plans that are required to report do not provide accurate information on line 14 of Schedule R.

The current instructions for line 14 require multiemployer plans to count inactive participants using the last contributing employer counting method. Under the last contributing employer method, a plan counts only those inactive participants whose last contributing employer withdrew from the plan by the beginning of the relevant plan year for which the Form 5500 relates. The plan does not count any inactive participants whose employers had not withdrawn from the plan.

PBGC is proposing to modify Schedule R to provide multiemployer plans with a choice of the last