Modification Request: The petitioner is applying to use various non-MSHA approved Powered Air Purifying Respirators (PAPRs) equipment in lieu of the current standard, in return air and outby the last open crosscut.

The petitioner states that:

(a) The modification to the current standard is requested to allow for an alternative method of respiratory protection for longwall miners.
(b) The current 3M Airstream PAPR, the Mining Headgear-Mounted model, is approved by MSHA but is being discontinued by the manufacturer, 3M. The 3M Airstream model allows for constantly filtered air to flow, reducing exposure to respirable dust. There are no other MSHA-approved PAPRs.
(c) The petitioner is applying to allow for non-MSHA approved PAPRs to protect miners from exposure to respirable dust during regular mining operations in return air and outby the last open crosscut.
(d) This petition will allow longwall miners to use PAPRs in MMU 001–0 and MMU 007–0, giving miners the opportunity to reduce dust exposure, decreasing health risks.

As an alternative to the existing standard, the petitioner proposes the following:

(d) The petitioner proposes using the following intrinsically safe models:
(5) CleanSpace EX—full or half mask;
(6) CleaSpace2—Full or half mask, this is NIOSH approved and intrinsically safe;
(7) 3M VersaFlo TR–800—certified under ANSI/UL 60079–11 standard for hazardous locations, it is intrinsically safe; and
(8) Non-battery powered 3M Ultimate FX full facepiece respirator mask.
(b) CleanSpace respirators use an air filtering, fan assisted pressure mask, which can be used in high dust environments. They are light and compact, require no services, are intrinsically safe, and have few parts. The 3M VersaFlo TR–800 allows for increased movement in tight spaces, while protecting against airborne contaminants. It is easy to use, has interchangeable components for specific application, is intrinsically safe, has audible and visual alarms, multi-speed blower, long battery run times, charges quickly and is ANSI/UL 60079–11 certified, allowing it to be used in hazardous locations. The 3M Ultimate FX respirator utilizes a scotchgard protection lens, allowing liquids to bead up and be removed easily, a large lens provides visibility, it is comfortable and easy to use, the 3M cool flow valve allows for easier breathing, and particle filters help filter out various particulates.
(c) When not in operation, batteries for the PAPR models will be charged outby the last open crosscut.
(d) The following battery charger products will be used: 3M battery charger TR–641N or 3M 4-station battery charger TR–644–N.
(e) The 3M Versaflo TR–800 PAPR will exclusively use the 3M TR–830 battery pack.
(f) Miners will be trained on how to safely use and take care of PAPR units, per manufacturer instructions.
(g) The above instruments will be assessed for physical damage as well as the integrity of the case.
(h) If methane levels go above 1.0 percent, 30 CFR 57.22234 procedures will be followed.

The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method will guarantee no less than the same measure of protection afforded by the standard.

Docket Number: M–2020–031–C.
Petitioner: Kimmel’s Mining, Inc., 1744 E Grand Ave, Tower City, PA 17980.
Mine: Williamsontown Mine No. 1, MSHA I.D. No. 36–09435, located in Dauphin County, PA.
Regulation Affected: 30 CFR 75.1506(c)(1) [Refuge alternatives].
Modification Request: The petitioner, which operates an anthracite mine, is requesting an alternative method to 30 CFR 75.1506(c)(1), based on the specific factors of the petitioner’s mining operations. The alternative would provide no less than the same measure of protection afforded by the existing standard.

The petitioner states that:
(a) Due to the anthracite mining operations at Williamsontown Mine No. 1, the petitioner is requesting an alternative to 30 CFR 75.1506(c)(1). The modification application is to allow miners to work and travel over 2,000 feet from the working face to the hoist mantrip.
(b) As an alternative to the existing standard, the petitioner states the following:
(a) By foot, miners are less than 30 minutes from the working face and less than 10 minutes from the bottom of the slope.
(b) The mine does not have any seals.
(c) There is no history of detectable methane gas or oxygen deficient atmospheres at this mine.
(d) Anthracite coal mining is low in volatility, meaning rock dust is not applied in any anthracite underground mine.
(e) 30 pound fire extinguishers are kept at the working section, at all times.
(f) Wooden posts are used as the primary roof support, which are spaced on five foot centers. The coal seam mined has a thickness that is on average 36 to 42 inches. This makes it difficult to move a refuge structure. Moving such a prefabricated structure would cause damage to the structure, due to the type of roof support at this mine.
(g) After four 10-hour shifts, the miner does not pump water and is located above the mine pool.
(h) There are over two escapeway portals to the surface at this mine.
(i) A drag run by a motor is the only mechanical equipment at the mine.
(j) The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method will at all times guarantee no less than the same measure of protection afforded by the standard.

Roslyn Fontaine,
Deputy Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.
[FR Doc. 2020–24397 Filed 11–3–20; 8:45 am]
BILLING CODE 4520–43–P

NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION
[NARA–2021–003]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: We have submitted the following generic information collection request (generic ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval to continue to collect feedback on our service delivery: “Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery.” As part of a Federal Government-wide effort to streamline the process to seek feedback from the public on service delivery, we developed this generic ICR to cover all of our requests for feedback on our services. We invite your comments on this ICR.

DATES: Comments must be submitted December 4, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Send comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection in writing to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under
30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tamee Fechhelm, Paperwork Reduction Act Officer, by email at tamee.fechhelm@nara.gov or by telephone at 301.837.1694 with requests for additional information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13), we invite the public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed information collections. The comments and suggestions should address one or more of the following points: (a) Whether the proposed information collections are necessary for NARA to properly perform its functions; (b) our estimates of the burden of the proposed information collections and their accuracy; (c) ways we could enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information we collect; (d) ways we could minimize the burden on respondents of collecting the information, including through information technology; and (e) whether these collections affect small businesses.

We will summarize any comments you submit and include the summary in our request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. For this reason, please do not include in your comments information of a confidential nature, such as sensitive personal information or proprietary information.

In this notice, we solicit comments concerning the following information collection. We published this information collection in the Federal Register on July 20, 2020 (85 FR 43880), for an initial 60-day public comment period. We received no comments in response.

Title: Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery.

OMB number: 3095–0070.

Abstract: This information collection provides a means to gather qualitative customer and stakeholder feedback in an efficient, timely manner, in accordance with our commitment to improving service delivery. By qualitative feedback, we mean information that provides useful insights into customers’ or stakeholders’ perceptions and opinions, but not statistical surveys that yield quantitative results that can be generalized to the population of study. Qualitative feedback provides insights into perceptions, experiences, and expectations, provides an early warning of issues with service, or focuses attention on areas where communication, training, or changes in operations might improve delivery of products or services. Collecting this information allows for ongoing, collaborative, and actionable communications between NARA and its customers and stakeholders. It also allows us to contribute feedback directly to improving program management.

We collect feedback in areas of service delivery such as timeliness, appropriateness, accuracy of information, plain language, courtesy, efficiency, and resolution of issues with service delivery. We use customer feedback to plan efforts to improve or maintain the quality of service offered to the public. If this information is not collected, vital feedback from customers and stakeholders on NARA’s services will be unavailable.

We will submit a collection for approval under this generic clearance only if it meets the following conditions:
• The collection is voluntary;
• The collection is low-burden for respondents (based on considerations of total burden hours, total number of respondents, or burden-hours per respondent) and is low-cost for both the respondents and the Federal Government;
• The collection is non-controversial and does not raise issues of concern to other Federal agencies;
• It is targeted to solicit opinions from respondents who have experience with the program or may have experience with the program in the near future;
• It collects personally identifiable information (PII) only to the extent necessary and we will not retain it;
• We will use the information gathered only internally, for general service improvement and program management purposes, and do not intend to release it outside of the agency;
• We will not use the information gathered for substantially informing influential policy decisions; and
• Information gathered will yield qualitative information; the collections will not be designed or expected to yield statistically reliable results or used as though the results are generalizable to the population of study.

Feedback collected under this generic clearance provides useful information, but it does not yield data that can be generalized to the overall population. This type of generic clearance for qualitative information will not be used for quantitative information collections that are designed to yield reliably actionable results, such as monitoring trends over time or documenting program performance. Such data uses require more rigorous designs that address: The target population to which generalizations will be made, the sampling frame, the sample design (including stratification and clustering), the precision requirements or power calculations that justify the proposed sample size, the expected response rate, methods for assessing potential non-response bias, the protocols for data collection, and any testing procedures that were or will be undertaken prior to fielding the study. Depending on the degree of influence the results are likely to have, such collections may still be eligible for submission for other generic mechanisms that are designed to yield quantitative results, but do not fall under the current generic collection.

As a general matter, information collections under this generic collection request will not result in any new system of records containing privacy information and will not ask questions of a sensitive nature, such as sexual behavior and attitudes, religious beliefs, and other matters that are commonly considered private.

Current actions: We currently have 13 surveys or other activities that have been approved by OMB under this generic ICR, are ongoing, and will continue through the renewal period. Some of these surveys include the OGIS FOIA Program Compliance Review, NPRC Survey of Customer Satisfaction, and Training and Event Evaluations.

Type of review: Regular.

Affected public: Anyone who uses NARA’s services, programs, or facilities, including requesting personnel records, requesting historical, genealogical, or other archival records, using research rooms, requesting research or asking research questions, ordering and receiving reproductions, using FOIA dispute resolution services, using records management services, working with records management schedules, renting facilities, attending exhibitions, events, or open houses, using learning centers or educational materials, attending training, etc. This can include individuals and households, businesses and organizations, or state, local, or tribal governments.

Estimated numbers: Below, we provide estimates on surveys or other activities under this information collection for the next three years:

Estimated annual number of surveys or other activities: 20.

Estimated total annual number of respondents: 225,000 (to the projected 20 surveys or other activities).

Average number of respondents per survey or other activity: 1,250.

Annual responses per respondent: 1.
Frequency of response: Once per request.
Average minutes per response: 10.
Burden hours: 37,500.

Swarnali Haldar,
Executive for Information Services/CIO.

[FR Doc. 2020–24379 Filed 11–3–20; 8:45 am]
BILLING CODE 7515–01–P

NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

[NARA–20–0023; NARA–2021–005]

Records Schedules; Availability and Request for Comments

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed records schedules; request for comments

SUMMARY: The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) publishes notice of certain Federal agency requests for records disposition authority (records schedules). We publish notice in the Federal Register and on regulations.gov for records schedules in which agencies propose to dispose of records they no longer need to conduct agency business. We invite public comments on such records schedules.

DATES: NARA must receive comments by December 21, 2020.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods. You must cite the control number, which appears on the records schedule in parentheses after the name of the agency that submitted the schedule.
- Mail: Records Appraisal and Agency Assistance (ACR); National Archives and Records Administration; 8601 Adelphi Road; College Park, MD 20740–6001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kimberly Keravouri, Regulatory and External Policy Program Manager, by email at regulation_comments@nara.gov. For information about records schedules, contact Records Management Operations by email at request.schedule@nara.gov, by mail at the address above, or by phone at 301–837–1799.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public Comment Procedures

We are publishing notice of records schedules in which agencies propose to dispose of records they no longer need to conduct agency business. We invite public comments on these records schedules, as required by 44 U.S.C. 3303(a), and list the schedules at the end of this notice by agency and subdivision requesting disposition authority.

In addition, this notice lists the organizational unit(s) accumulating the records or states that the schedule has agency-wide applicability. It also provides the control number assigned to each schedule, which you will need if you submit comments on that schedule. We have uploaded the records schedules and accompanying appraisal memorandum to the regulations.gov docket for this notice as “other” documents. Each records schedule contains a full description of the records at the file unit level as well as their proposed disposition. The appraisal memorandum for the schedule includes information about the records.

We will post comments, including any personal information and attachments, to the public docket unchanged. Because comments are public, you are responsible for ensuring that you do not include any confidential or other information that you or a third party may not wish to be publicly posted. If you want to submit a comment with confidential information or otherwise use the regulations.gov portal, you may contact request.schedule@nara.gov for instructions on submitting your comment.

We will consider all comments submitted by the posted deadline and consult as needed with the Federal agency seeking the disposition authority. After considering comments, we will post on regulations.gov a “Consolidated Reply” summarizing the comments, responding to them, and noting any changes we have made to the proposed records schedule. We will then send the schedule for final approval by the Archivist of the United States. You may elect at regulations.gov to receive updates on the docket, including an alert when we post the Consolidated Reply, whether or not you submit a comment. If you have a question, you can submit it as a comment, and can also submit any concerns or comments you would have to a possible response to the question. We will address these items in consolidated replies along with any other comments submitted on that schedule.

We will post schedules on our website in the Records Control Schedule (RCS) Repository, at https://www.archives.gov/records-mgmt/rsc, after the Archivist approves them. The RCS contains all schedules approved since 1973.

Background

Each year, Federal agencies create billions of records. To control this accumulation, agency records managers prepare schedules proposing retention periods for records and submit these schedules for NARA’s approval. Once approved by NARA, records schedules provide mandatory instructions on what happens to records when no longer needed for current Government business. The records schedules authorize agencies to preserve records of continuing value in the National Archives or to destroy, after a specified period, records lacking continuing administrative, legal, research, or other value. Some schedules are comprehensive and cover all the records of an agency or one of its major subdivisions. Most schedules, however, cover records of only one office or program or a few series of records. Many of these update previously approved schedules, and some include records proposed as permanent.

Agencies may not destroy Federal records without the approval of the Archivist of the United States. The Archivist grants this approval only after thorough consideration of the records’ administrative use by the agency of origin, the rights of the Government and of private people directly affected by the Government’s activities, and whether or not the records have historical or other value. Public review and comment on these records schedules is part of the Archivist’s consideration process.

Schedules Pending

7. Department of Labor, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Technical...