DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting this Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA)-sponsored information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). Public comments on the ICR are invited.

DATES: The OMB will consider all written comments that agency receives on or before January 6, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice 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.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) if the information will be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) the accuracy of the agency’s estimates of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (4) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (5) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mara Blumenthal by telephone at 202–693–8538 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email at DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and the Internal Revenue Code (the Code), provide that the Secretary of Labor and the Secretary of Treasury, respectively, may grant exemptions from certain prohibited transaction provisions under ERISA and the Code. Section 408(a) of ERISA authorizes the Secretary of Labor to grant administrative exemptions from the restrictions of section 406 of ERISA while section 4975(c)(2) of the Code authorizes the Secretary of Treasury or his delegate to grant exemptions from the prohibitions of section 4975(c)(1). The class exemption that is the subject of this submission would permit certain foreign exchange transactions between employee benefit plans and certain banks and broker-dealers that are parties in interest with respect to such plans.

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 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 OMB Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6.

DOL seeks PRA authorization for this information collection for three (3) years. OMB authorization for an ICR cannot be for more than three (3) years without renewal. The DOL notes that information collection requirements submitted to the OMB for existing ICRs receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review.

Agency: DOL–EBSA.
Title of Collection: Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption 1998–54 Relating to Certain Employee Benefit Plan Foreign Exchange Transactions

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

[OMB Control No. 1219–0066]

Proposed Extension of Information Collection; Testing, Evaluation, and Approval of Mining Products

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 Testing, Evaluation, and Approval of Mining Products, 30 CFR Subchapter B—parts 6 through 36.

DATES: All comments must be received on or before February 5, 2021.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comment as follows. Please note that late, untimely filed comments will not be considered. Electronic Submissions: Submit electronic comments in the following way:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: https://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments...
II. Desired Focus of Comments

MSHA is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection related to Testing, Evaluation, and Approval of Mining Products, 30 CFR Subchapter B—parts 6 through 36. 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.

Background documents related to this information collection request are available at https://regulations.gov and in DOL—MSHA, located at 201 12th Street South, Suite 4E01, Arlington, VA 22202–5452. Questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION section of this notice from the previous collection of information.

III. Current Actions

This information collection request concerns provisions for Testing, Evaluation, and Approval of Mining Products, 30 CFR Subchapter B—parts 6 through 36. MSHA has updated the data with respect to the number of respondents, responses, burden hours, and burden costs supporting this information collection request from the previous information collection request.

Type of Review: Revision 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: 130.

Frequency: On occasion.

Number of Responses: 315.

Annual Burden Hours: 3,424 hours.

Annual Respondent or Recordkeeper Cost: $2,938,557.