II. Notice of Preliminary Findings

OSHA is providing notice that QPS is applying for renewal of its recognition as a NRTL. This renewal covers QPS’s existing NRTL scope of recognition. OSHA evaluated QPS’s application for renewal and preliminarily determined that QPS can continue to meet the requirements prescribed by 29 CFR 1910.7 for recognition. OSHA has determined that it does not need to conduct an on-site review of QPS’s facility, based on its evaluations of QPS’s application and all other available information. This information includes OSHA’s most recent audit of QPS’s NRTL recognized site during this recognition period, and the satisfactory resolution of non-conformances with the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.7.

OSHA welcomes public comment as to whether QPS meets the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.7 for renewal of their recognition as a NRTL. Comments should consist of pertinent written documents and exhibits. Commenters needing more time to comment must submit a request in writing, stating the reasons for the request. OSHA must receive the written request for an extension by the due date for comments. OSHA will limit any extension to 30 days unless the requester justifies a longer period. OSHA may deny a request for an extension if it is not adequately justified. To obtain or review copies of the publicly available information in QPS’s application and other pertinent documents (including exhibits), as well as all submitted comments, contact the Docket Office, Room N–3653, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor; these materials also are available online at http://www.regulations.gov under Docket No. OSHA–2010–0046.

OSHA staff will review all comments to the docket submitted in a timely manner and, after addressing the issues raised by these comments (if any), will make a recommendation to the Assistant Secretary on whether to grant QPS’s application for renewal. The Assistant Secretary will make the final decision on granting the application and, in making this decision, may undertake other proceedings prescribed in Appendix A to 29 CFR 1910.7.

OSHA will publish a public notice of this final decision in the Federal Register.

III. Authority and Signature

Douglas L. Parker, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210, authorized the preparation of this notice. Accordingly, the agency is issuing this notice pursuant to 29 U.S.C. 657(g)(2). Secretary of Labor’s Order No. 8–2020 (85 FR 58393, September 18, 2020), and 29 CFR 1910.7.

Signed at Washington, DC, on December 8, 2021.
Douglas L. Parker,
Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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For general information about MACOSH: Ms. Amy Wangdahl, Director, Office of Maritime and Agriculture, OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor; telephone (202) 693–2066; email: wangdahl.amy@dol.gov.
Telecommunication requirements: For additional information about the telecommunication requirements for the meeting, please contact Ms. Carla Marcellus, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor; telephone (202) 693–1865; email marcellus.carla@dol.gov.

For copies of this Federal Register Notice: Electronic copies of this Federal Register notice are available at http://www.regulations.gov. This notice, as well as news releases and other relevant information, are also available at OSHA’s web page at www.osha.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Attendance at this MACOSH meeting will be by teleconference and WebEx only. The teleconference dial-in number and passcode are as follows: Dial-in number: 1–888–972–9245; Passcode: 6530908 and the WebEx link and password are: https://usdolee.webex.com/usdolee/onstage/g.php?MTID=ef16443d91d442fc701b7b904318cc55 and Password: Welcome24. The workgroups will discuss line safety, on-dock rail safety, heat stress, and prevention of fires on vessels, and provide a summary of fire resistant/retardant materials.

Authority and Signature

Douglas L. Parker, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and
Health, authorized the preparation of this notice under the authority granted by 29 U.S.C. 655(b)(1) and 656(d), 5 U.S.C. App. 2, Secretary of Labor’s Order No. 8–2020 (85 FR 58383), and 29 CFR part 1912.

Signed at Washington, DC, on December 8, 2022.

Douglas L. Parker,
Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. OSHA–2011–0860]

The 13 Carcinogens Standards; Extension of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Approval of Information Collection (Paperwork) Requirements

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

ACTION: Request for public comments.

SUMMARY: OSHA solicits public comments concerning the proposal to obtain the Office of Management and Budget’s (OMB) approval for the information collection requirements contained in the 13 Carcinogens Standard.

DATES: Comments must be submitted (postmarked, sent or received) by February 14, 2022.

ADDRESSES:

Electronically: You may submit comments and attachments electronically at http://www.regulations.gov, which is the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Follow the instructions online for submitting comments.

Docket: To read or download comments or other material in the docket, go to http://www.regulations.gov. Documents in the docket are listed in the http://www.regulations.gov index; however, some information (e.g., copyrighted material) is not publicly available to read or download through the website. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection through the OSHA Docket Office. Contact the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693–2350, (TTY (877) 889–5627) for assistance in locating docket submissions.

Instructions: All submissions must include the agency name and the OSHA docket number for this Federal Register notice (OSHA–2011–0860). OSHA will place comments and requests to speak, including personal information, in the public docket, which may be available online. Therefore, OSHA cautions interested parties about submitting personal information such as Social Security numbers and birthdays. For further information on submitting comments, see the “Public Participation” heading in the section of this notice titled SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Seleda Perryman or Theda Kenney, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, telephone (202) 693–2222.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Department of Labor, as part of the continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent (i.e., employer) burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing information collection requirements in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program ensures that information is in the correct format, reporting burden (time and costs) is minimal, collection instruments are clearly understandable, and OSHA’s estimate of the information collection burden is correct. The OSH Act (29 U.S.C. 651 et seq.) authorizes information collection by employers as necessary or appropriate for enforcement of the Act or for developing information regarding the causes and prevention of occupational injuries, illnesses, and accidents (29 U.S.C. 657). The OSH Act also requires that OSHA obtain such information with minimum burden upon employers, especially those operating small businesses, and to reduce to the maximum extent feasible unnecessary duplication of efforts in obtaining information (29 U.S.C. 657).

The information collection requirements specified in the 13 Carcinogens Standard (29 CFR 1920.1003, 1915.1003, and 1926.1103) protect workers from the adverse health effects that may result from their exposure to the specified carcinogens. The following is a brief description of the collection of information requirements contained in the 13 Carcinogens Standard: Establishing and implementing a medical surveillance program for workers assigned to enter regulated areas; informing workers of their medical examination results; and providing workers with access to their medical records. Further, employers must retain worker medical records for specified time periods and make them available upon request to OSHA and NIOSH.

II. Special Issues for Comment

OSHA has a particular interest in comments on the following issues:

• Whether the proposed information collection requirements are necessary for proper performance of the agency’s functions, including whether the information is useful;

• The accuracy of OSHA’s estimate of the burden (time and costs) of the information collection requirements, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

• The quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and

• Ways to minimize the burden on employers who must comply. For example, by using automated or other technological information collection and transmission techniques.

III. Proposed Actions

OSHA is requesting an adjustment increase of 105.34 hours (from 1,504 hours to 1,609.34 hours). The increase is a result of a slight growth in the number of establishments affected by the Standard from 101 to 104 establishments. This results in an increase in the number of workers receiving medical examinations, from 695 to 716. The agency is also requesting an adjustment cost increase of $191,794, which is the result of an increase in the cost of medical examinations from $186 to $429. The cost of the physical exam is $180 and the hospital fee for out-of-network/uninsured patient is $249. This explains the 61% increase in cost of the medical cost.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.


OMB Control Number: 1218–0085.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits.

Frequency of Responses: On occasion, annually.

Average Time per Response: Time per response ranges from approximately 5 minutes (for employers to maintain records) to 2 hours (for worker medical surveillance).

Number of Respondents: 1,640.

Total Responses: 1,640.

Burden Hours: 1,609.34.

Estimated Cost (Operation and Maintenance): $307,164.

IV. Public Participation—Submission of Comments on This Notice and Internet Access to Comments and Submissions

You may submit comments in response to this document as follows:

(1) Electronically at http://www.regulations.gov, which is the Federal eRulemaking Portal; (2) by facsimile (fax); or (3) by hard copy. All