

a recurrence of disability, and from their employer, if applicable. The form requests information relating to the specific circumstances leading up to the recurrence as well as information about their employment and earnings.

A recurrence should be reported on Form CA–2a if that recurrence causes the employee to lose time from work and incur a wage loss, or if the employee experiences a renewed need for treatment after previously being released from care. The employee has the burden of establishing by the weight of reliable, probative and substantial evidence that the recurrence of disability is causally related to the original injury. The employee must include a detailed factual statement as described on Form CA–2a. The employer may submit comments concerning the employee's statement. The employee should arrange for the submittal of a detailed medical report from the attending physician as described on Form CA–2a. The employee should also submit, or arrange for the submittal of, similar medical reports for any examination and/or treatment received after returning to work following the original injury.

Reference: <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/owcp/FECA/regs/statutes/feca>.

Reference: <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-20/chapter-I/subchapter-B/part-10>.

Reference: *eCFR:20 CFR 10.104—How and when is a claim for recurrence filed?*

II. Desired Focus of Comments

OWCP/DFEC is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection related to Attending Physician's Certification of Continuing Workers' Compensation Disability. OWCP/DFEC 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 OWCP/DFEC's estimate of the burden related to the information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used in the estimate;
- Suggest methods to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the information collection 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.

Documents related to this information collection request are available at <https://regulations.gov>. Questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION** section of this notice.

III. Current Actions

This information collection request concerns the Notice of Recurrence, Form CA–2a. OWCP/DFEC 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: Extension, with change, of a currently approved collection.

Agency: Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Division of Federal Employees' Compensation, OWCP/DFEC.

OMB Number: 1240–0009.

Affected Public: Private Sector—Businesses or other for-profits.

Number of Respondents: 80.

Frequency: On occasion.

Number of Responses: 80.

Annual Burden Hours: 40 hours.

Annual Respondent or Recordkeeper

Cost: \$1,295.00.

OWCP/DFEC 1240–0009: OWCP/DFEC Notice of Recurrence.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the proposed information collection request; they will become a matter of public record and will be available at <https://www.reginfo.gov>.

Anjanette Suggs,
Certifying Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of Workers' Compensation Programs

Proposed Extension of Information Collection; Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act Pre-Hearing Statement (LS–18)

AGENCY: Office of Workers' Compensation Programs.

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 request for comment 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 request 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, OWCP is soliciting comments on the information collection for Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act Pre-Hearing Statement.

DATES: All comments must be received on or before October 19, 2026.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments 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 for WCPO–2026–0496. Comments submitted electronically, including attachments, to <https://www.regulations.gov> will be posted to the docket with no changes. Because your comment will be made public, you are responsible for ensuring that your comment does not include any confidential information that you or a third party may not wish to be posted, such as your or anyone else's Social Security number or confidential business information.

- If your comment includes confidential information that you do not wish to be made available to the public, submit the comments as a written/paper submission.

Written/Paper Submissions: Submit written/paper submissions in the following way:

- *Mail/Hand Delivery:* Mail or visit DOL–OWCP, Division of Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation, 200 Constitution Avenue, Room S–3524NW, Washington, DC 20210.

- OWCP will post your comments as well as any attachments, except for information marking confidential, in the docket at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) administers the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act (LHWCA). LHWCA

provides benefits to workers injured in maritime employment on the navigable waters of the United States or in an adjoining area customarily used by an employer in loading, unloading, repairing, or building a vessel. In addition, several Acts extend the Longshore Act's coverage to certain other employees.

The Secretary of Labor has authority to make rules and regulations to establish procedures which are necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of the Act. 33 U.S.C. 939, 944. The Secretary has delegated that authority to the Director, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs. Secretary's Order 10–2009; Public Law 111–5 803, 123 Stat. 115, 187 (2009).

Title 20, CFR 702.317 provides for the referral of claims under the Longshore Act for formal hearings. The form LS–18 is used to refer the case for formal hearing under the Act. Any party seeking referral to the Office of Administrative Law Judges (OALJ) shall complete it and return it to the district director. Upon receipt of the forms, the district director, after checking them for completeness and after any further conferences that, in his/her opinion, are warranted, shall transmit them to the OALJ with all available evidence which the parties intend to submit at the hearing. Legal authority for this information collection is found at 33 U.S.C. 939. Regulatory authority is found at 20 CFR 702.317.

II. Desired Focus of Comments

OWCP is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection request (ICR) titled, "Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act Pre-Hearing Statement (LS–18). OWCP/DLHWC 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.
- 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.

Documents related to this information collection request are available at <https://regulations.gov> and at DOL–OWCP/DLHWC located at 200 Constitution Ave. NW, Room S–3524, Washington, DC 20210. Questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION** section of this notice.

III. Current Actions

This information collection request concerns the Pre-Hearing Statement (LS–18). OWCP 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: Extension without change of currently approved collection.

Agency: Office of Workers' Compensation Programs.

OMB Number: 1240–0036.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Number of Respondents: 13,340.

Number of Responses: 13,340.

Annual Burden Hours: 2,223 hours.

Annual Respondent or Recordkeeper Cost: \$57,882.

Frequency: On occasion.

Time per Response: 10 minutes.

OWCP Form: Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act Pre-Hearing Statement, LS–18.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the proposed information collection request; they will become a matter of public record and will be available at [<https://www.reginfo.gov>] (<https://www.reginfo.gov>).

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A).

Anjanette Suggs,

Agency Clearance Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50–255; NRC–2026–3796]

Palisades Energy, LLC; Palisades Nuclear Plant; Exemption

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has issued an

exemption in response to a request dated July 10, 2026, as supplemented by letter dated July 30, 2026, from Palisades Energy, LLC. The exemption authorizes a one-time exemption to allow Operations personnel use of the less restrictive work hour limitations described in NRC regulations for a period of no more than 60 days commencing upon core reload, or until Palisades is connected to the electrical grid, whichever occurs first.

DATES: The exemption was issued on August 12, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2026–3796 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Website:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC–2026–3796. Address questions about Docket IDs in *Regulations.gov* to Bridget Curran; telephone: 301–415–1003; email: Bridget.Curran@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual(s) listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):* You may obtain publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "Begin ADAMS Public Search." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, at 301–415–4737, or by email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov. The ADAMS accession number for each document referenced (if it is available in ADAMS) is provided the first time that it is mentioned in this document.

- *NRC's PDR:* The PDR, where you may examine and order copies of publicly available documents, is open by appointment. To make an appointment to visit the PDR, please send an email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov or call 1–800–397–4209 or 301–415–4737, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. eastern time (ET), Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The text of the exemption is attached.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 2011 *et seq.*

Dated: August 14, 2026.