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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Tali R. Stepp, Director of Human Resources, Room C5526, U.S. Department of Labor, Frances Perkins Building, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210, Telephone: (202) 219-6551.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 15th day of September, 1999.

Alexis M. Herman,
Secretary of Labor.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). 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 Employment Standards Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension collection of: Requirements of a Bona Fide Profit Sharing Plan or Trust; and Requirements of a Bona Fide Thrift or Savings Plan. A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the ADDRESSES section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the ADDRESSES section below on or before November 29, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Ms. Patricia A. Forkel, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave., NW, Room S-3201, Washington, DC 20210, telephone (202) 693-0339 (this is not a toll-free number), fax (202) 693-1451.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Section 7(e)(3)(b) of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) permits the exclusion from an employee's regular rate of pay, payments on behalf of an employee to a "bona fide" profit-sharing plan, and a "bona fide" thrift or savings plan. Regulations 29 CFR part 549 sets forth the requirements of a bona fide profit sharing plan or trust, and Regulations 29 CFR part 547 set forth the requirements of a bona fide thrift or savings plan. This clearance involves employer maintenance of records of such plans.

II. Review Focus

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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 submissions of responses.

III. Current Actions

The Department of Labor seeks the extension of approval to collect this information in order to determine whether a given thrift or savings plan or a profit sharing plan or trust is in compliance with section 7(e)(3). Please note that the recordkeeping requirements for the thrift or savings plans and the recordkeeping requirements for profit sharing plans are currently approved under separate OMB numbers. The requirements for thrift or savings plans are approved under OMB number 1215-0119, and the requirements for profit sharing plans are approved under OMB number 1215-0122. This information clearance request will combine the two recordkeeping requirements under OMB number 1215-0119.

Type of review: Extension.
Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Title: Requirements of a Bona Fide Thrift or Savings Plan, and Requirements of a Bona Fide Profit Sharing Plan.

OMB Number: 1215-0119.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; Individuals or households; Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Total Respondents: 1.924 million.

Frequency: Recordkeeping only.

Total Responses: 1.924 million.

Estimated Total Burden Hours (Recordkeeping): 2.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$0.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: September 21, 1999.

Margaret J. Sherrill,

Chief, Branch of Management Review and Internal Control, Division of Financial Management, Office of Management, Administration and Planning, Employment Standards Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. ICR-99-28]

Vinyl Chloride Standard; 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: Notice of an opportunity for public comment.

SUMMARY: OSHA solicits comments concerning the extension of the information collection requirements contained in the standard on vinyl chloride, 29 CFR 1910.1017, 1915.1017, 1926.1117.

Request for Comment

The Agency is particularly interested in comments on the following issues:

- Whether the information collection requirement are necessary for the proper performance of the Agency's functions, including whether the information is useful;
- The accuracy of the Agency'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, electronic, mechanical, and other technological information and transmission collection techniques.

DATES: Submit written comments on or before November 29, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to the Docket Office, Docket No. ICR-99-28, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693-2350. Commenters may transmit written comments of 10 pages or less in length by facsimile to (202) 693-1648.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Todd R. Owen, Directorate of Policy, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3627, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693-2444. A copy of the Agency's Information Collection Request (ICR) supporting the need for the information collection requirements in the Vinyl Chloride Standard is available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office, or mailed on request by telephoning Todd R. Owen or Barbara Bielaski at (202) 693-2444. For electronic copies of the ICR on vinyl chloride, contact OSHA on the Internet at <http://www.osha-slc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing information collection requirements in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA-95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program ensures that information is in the desired format, reporting burden (time and costs) is minimal, collection instruments are clearly understood, and OSHA's estimate of the information collection burden is correct.

The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (the Act) 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.) In this regard, the information collection requirements in the Vinyl Chloride Standard provides protection for employees from the adverse health effects associated with occupational exposure to vinyl chloride.

II. Proposed Actions

OSHA proposes to extend the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the collections of information (paperwork) contained in the Vinyl Chloride Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1017, 1915.1017, 1926.1117.

The Vinyl Chloride Standard requires employers to monitor employee exposure to vinyl chloride, to monitor employee health, and to provide employees with information about their exposures and the health effects of exposure to Vinyl Chloride. In addition, employers must notify OSHA area directors of regulated areas and changes to regulated areas, and of any emergencies that involve vinyl chloride.

OSHA will summarize the comments submitted in response to this notice, and will include this summary in the request to OMB to extend the approval of the information collection requirements contained in the Vinyl Chloride Standard.

Type of Review: Extension of currently approved information collection requirements.

Agency: Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Title: Vinyl Chloride Standard.

OMB Number: 1218-0010.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; Federal government; state, local or tribal government.

Number of Respondents: 80.

Frequency: On occasion.

Average Time per response: Time per response ranges from approximately 5 minutes (for employers to maintain records) to 12 hours (for employers to update their compliance plans).

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 2,878.

Estimated Cost (Operation and Maintenance): \$258,042.

III. Authority and Signature

Charles N. Jeffress, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice. The authority for this notice is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506) and Secretary of Labor's Order No. 6-96 (62 FR 1111).

Signed at Washington, DC, this 23rd day of September 1999.

Charles N. Jeffress,

Assistant Secretary of Labor.

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NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 5, 1999.

PLACE: NTSB Board Room, 5th Floor, 490 L'Enfant Plaza, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20594.

STATUS: Open to the Public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: 7089A—Marine Accident Report: Sinking of the Recreational Sailing Vessel Morning Dew at the Entrance to the Harbor of Charleston, South Carolina on December 29, 1997.

NEWS MEDIA CONTACT: Telephone: (202) 314-6100.

Individuals requesting specific accommodation should contact Mrs. Barbara Bush at (202) 314-6220 by Friday, October 1, 1999.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Rhonda Underwood, (202) 314-6065.

Dated: September 24, 1999.

Rhonda Underwood,

Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste; Procedures for Meetings

Background

This notice describes procedures to be followed with respect to meetings conducted pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW). These procedures are set forth so that they may be incorporated by reference in future notices for individual meetings.

The ACNW advises the Nuclear Regulatory Commission on nuclear waste disposal issues. This includes facilities covered under 10 CFR Parts 61 and the proposed Part 63 and other applicable regulations and legislative mandates, such as the Nuclear Waste Policy Act, the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Policy Act and amendments, and the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act, as amended. The Committee's reports become a part of the public record.

The ACNW meetings are normally open to the public and provide opportunities for oral or written statements from members of the public to be considered as part of the