

supporting the need for the information collection requirement (hydrostatic test certification record) contained in the Portable Fire Extinguishers standard (29 CFR 1910.157(f)(16)) is available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office, or mailed on request by telephoning Theda Kennedy at (202) 693-2222 or Barbara Bielaski at (202) 693-2444. For electronic copies of the ICR, 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 requirement (hydrostatic test certification record) in the Portable Fire Extinguishers standards (29 CFR 1910.157(f)(16)) ensures that employers properly inform employees about the condition of fire extinguishers they may be using in the workplace. Failure of the employer to collect and distribute the information collection under this requirement will affect significantly OSHA's effort to control and reduce injuries and fatalities in the workplace.

II. Proposed Actions

OSHA proposes to retain its earlier estimate of 318,750 burden hours for the standard on Portable Fire Extinguishers (Hydrostatic Test Certification Record) (29 CFR 1910.157(f)(16)).

OSHA will summarize the comments submitted in response to this notice, and will include this summary in its request to OMB to extend the approval of the information collection requirement contained in the above standard.

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

Agency: Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Title: Portable Fire Extinguishers (Hydrostatic Test Certification Record) (29 CFR 1910.157(f)(16)).

OMB Number: 1218-0218.

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

Number of Respondents: 1,275,000.

Frequency: Varies (on occasion; annually).

Average Time per Response: 15 minutes (0.25 hour).

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 318,750.

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), Secretary of Labor's Order No. 6-96 (62 FR 111), and 29 CFR part 1911.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 4th day of August 1999.

Charles N. Jeffress,

Assistant Secretary of Labor.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. ICR-99-16]

Crawler, Locomotive, and Truck Cranes (Inspection Certification Records) (29 CFR 1910.180(d), (g)(1) and (g)(2)(ii); Extension of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Approval of an Information Collection (Paperwork) Requirement

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

ACTION: Notice of an opportunity for public comment.

SUMMARY: OSHA solicits comments concerning the proposed decrease and extension of the information collection requirements (inspection certification records) contained in the standard on Crawler, Locomotive, and Truck Cranes (29 CFR 1910.180).

REQUEST FOR COMMENT:

The Agency seeks comments on the following issues:

- Whether the information collection requirements 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 October 12, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to the Docket Office, Docket, No. ICR-99-16, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, US Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., 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: Theda Kenney, Directorate of Safety Standards Programs, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3605, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693-2222. A copy of the Agency's Information Collection Request (ICR) supporting the need for the information collection requirements in 29 CFR 1910.180 (inspection certification records) is available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office, or mailed on request by telephoning Theda Kenney at (202) 693-2222 or Barbara Bielaski at (202) 693-2444. For electronic copies of the ICR, contact OSHA on the Internet at <http://www/osh.gov/comp-links.html>, and click on "Information Collection Requests."

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.) The major purpose of the information collection requirements in 29 CFR 1910.180 is to provide information for properly maintaining crawler, locomotive and truck cranes and, therefore, to ensure safe operating conditions for employees. Specifically, employers must establish certification records to demonstrate that crane inspections comply with the requirements specified in the standard. Failure of the employer to collect and distribute the information collected under the requirements contained in the standard will affect significantly OSHA's effort to control and reduce injuries and fatalities in the workplace.

II. Proposed Actions

OSHA proposes to decrease its earlier estimate of 174,015 burden hours for the information collection requirements in 29 CFR 1910.180(d), (g)(1), and (g)(2)(ii) to 174,000 burden hours.

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 above provisions.

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

Agency: Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Title: Crawler, Locomotive, and Truck Cranes (Inspection Certifications) (29 CFR 1910.180(d), (g)(1), and (g)(2)(ii)).

OMB Number: 128-0221.

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

Number of Respondents: 1,900.

Frequency: Monthly.

Average Time per Response: Varies from 15 minutes (0.25 hour) to 30 minutes (0.50 hour).

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 174,000.

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), Secretary of Labor's Order No. 6-96 (62 FR 111), and 29 CFR part 1911.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 4th day of August 1999.

Charles N. Jeffress,

Assistant Secretary of Labor.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. ICR-99-15]

Shipyard Certification Records (29 CFR 1915.113(b)(1) and 1915.172(d)); Extension of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Approval of an Information Collection (Paperwork) Requirement

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

ACTION: Notice of an opportunity for public comment.

SUMMARY: OSHA solicits comments concerning the proposed increase in estimated burden hours and extension of the shipyards certification record requirements contained in 29 CFR 1916.113(b) and 1915.172(d).

REQUEST FOR COMMENT:

The Agency seeks comments on the following issues:

- Whether the information collection requirements 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 October 12, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to the Docket Office, Docket No. ICR-99-15, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, US Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 10210; 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:

Theda Kenney, Directorate of Safety Standards Program, Occupational Safety

and Health Administration, US Department of Labor, Room N-3605, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693-2222. A copy of the Agency's Information Collection Request (ICR) supporting the need for the information collection requirements in 29 CFR 1915.113(b) and 1915.172(d) (shipyard certification records) is available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office, or mailed on request by telephoning Theda Kenney at (202) 693-2222 or Barbara Bielaski at (202) 693-2444. For electronic copies of the ICR, contact OSHA on the Internet at <http://www/osh-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 1994 (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 contained in 29 CFR 1915.113(b)(1) and 29 CFR 1915.172(d) (shipyard certification records) ensures that employers properly inform employees about the condition of shackles and hooks, and portable air receivers and other unfired pressure vessels, in shipyards. Failure of the employer to collect and distribute the information collected under this requirement will affect significantly OSHA's effort to control and reduce injuries and fatalities in shipyards.

II. Proposed Actions

OSHA proposes to increase its earlier estimate of 1,846 burden hours for the information collection requirements in 29 CFR 1915.113(b) and 1915.172(d) (shipyard certification records) to 4,461 burden hours.

OSHA will summarize the comments submitted in response to this notice,