

Frequency: One-time survey and data collection.

Cite/reference	Total respondents	Frequency	Total responses	Average time per response (hours)	Burden (hours)
Survey	53	One-time request	53	2	106
Data request	53	One-time request	53	30	1590
Totals	106	1696

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): Based on an hourly rate of \$31.38 for fiscal year 2005, estimated cost burden is \$53,220.48.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): There are no ongoing costs for this project.

Comments submitted in response to this comment request 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: May 23, 2005.

Emily Stover DeRocco,

Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

ETA-581 Report on Contribution Operations; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL), 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 and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of approval of Form ETA 581, Contribution Operations. A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can

be obtained directly from the ETA Web Page: <http://www.doleta.gov/Performance/Guidance/OMBControlNumber.cfm> or by contacting the office listed below in the **ADDRESSEE** section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSEE** section below on or before July 26, 2005.

ADDRESSEE: Bill Whitt, Room S-4522, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone number: 202-693-3219 (this is not a toll-free number); internet address: whitt.bill@dol.gov; facsimile number: 202-693-3229.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Office of Workforce Security (OWS) of the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) has responsibility for the Tax Performance System (TPS) which evaluates the employer-related or tax functions of the UI program. The Contribution Operations report (Form ETA 581) is a comprehensive report of each state's UI tax operations and is essential in providing quarterly tax performance data to OWS. ETA 581 data are the basis for measuring the performance and effectiveness of the states' UI tax operations. Using ETA 581 data, the TPS program measures performance, accuracy, and promptness in employer registration (status determinations), report delinquency, collections (accounts receivable), and the audit function.

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

It is important that approval of the ETA 581 report be extended because this report is the only vehicle for collection of information required under the TPS program. If ETA 581 data were not collected, there would be no basis for determining the adequacy of funding for states' UI tax operations, making projections and forecasts in the budgetary process, nor measuring program performance and effectiveness.

The ETA 581 accounts receivable data are necessary in the preparation of complete and accurate financial statements for the Unemployment Trust Fund (UTF) and the maintenance of a modified accrual system for UTF accounting.

Type of Review: Extension without change.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: ETA 581, Report on Contribution Operations.

OMB Number: 1205-0178.

Agency Number: ETA 581.

Recordkeeping: Respondent is expected to maintain data which support the reported data for three years.

Affected Public: State Government.

Cite/Reference/Form/etc: ETA 581.

Total Respondents: 53.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Total Responses: 212.

Average Time per Response: 8.5 hours.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 1,802.

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

Comments submitted in response to this comment request 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: May 9, 2005.

Cheryl Atkinson,

Administrator, Office of Workforce Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration; Wage and Hour Division

Minimum Wages for Federal and Federally Assisted Construction; General Wage Determination Decisions

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in these decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 29 CFR part 1, by authority of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (46 Stat. 1494, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR part 1, appendix, as well as such additional statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wages payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities described therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue current construction industry wage determinations frequently and in large

volume causes procedures to be impractical and contrary to the public interest.

General wage determination decisions, and modifications and supersedeas decisions thereto, contain no expiration dates and are effective from the date of notice in the **Federal Register**, or on the date written notice is received by the agency, whichever is earlier. These decisions are to be used in accordance with the provisions of 29 CFR parts 1 and 5. Accordingly, the applicable decision, together with any modifications issued, must be made a part of every contract for performance of the described work within the geographic area indicated as required by an applicable Federal prevailing wage law and 29 CFR part 5. The wage rates and fringe benefits, notice of which is published herein, and which are contained in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under The Davis-Bacon and Related Acts," shall be the minimum paid by contractors and subcontractors to laborers and mechanics.

Any person, organization, or governmental agency having an interest in the rates determined as prevailing is encouraged to submit wage rate and fringe benefit information for consideration by the Department. Further information and self-explanatory forms for the purpose of submitting this data may be obtained by writing to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Standards Administration, Wage and Hour Division, Division of Wage Determinations, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room S-3014, Washington, DC 20210.

Modification to General Wage Determination Decisions

The number of decisions listed to the Government Printing Office document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts" being modified are listed by Volume and State. Dates of publication in the **Federal Register** are in parentheses following the decision being modified.

Volume I

None

Volume II

None

Volume III

None

Volume IV

Illinois

IL20030001 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IL20030003 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IL20030011 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IL20030012 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IL20030013 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IL20030014 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IL20030015 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IL20030016 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IL20030042 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IL20030047 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IL20030049 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IL20030058 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IL20030059 (Jun. 13, 2003)

Volume V:

Iowa

IA20030004 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IA20030005 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IA20030006 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IA20030016 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IA20030037 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IA20030040 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IA20030054 (Jun. 13, 2003)

IA20030059 (Jun. 13, 2003)

Kansas

KS20030006 (Jun. 13, 2003)

KS20030008 (Jun. 13, 2003)

KS20030010 (Jun. 13, 2003)

KS20030012 (Jun. 13, 2003)

KS20030015 (Jun. 13, 2003)

Oklahoma

OK20030030 (Jun. 13, 2003)

OK20030034 (Jun. 13, 2003)

Texas

TX20030125 (Jun. 13, 2003)

Volume VI:

Montana

MT20030001 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MT20030004 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MT20030005 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MT20030007 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MT20030035 (Jun. 13, 2003)

North Dakota

ND20030007 (Jun. 13, 2003)

ND20030011 (Jun. 13, 2003)

ND20030018 (Jun. 13, 2003)

ND20030019 (Jun. 13, 2003)

South Dakota

SD20030002 (Jun. 13, 2003)

SD20030007 (Jun. 13, 2003)

SD20030010 (Jun. 13, 2003)

Volume VII:

Hawaii

HI20030001 (Jun. 13, 2003)

General Wage Determination Publication

General wage determinations issued under the Davis-Bacon and related Acts, including those noted above, may be found in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under The Davis-Bacon And Related Acts". This publication is available at each of the 50 Regional Government Depository Libraries and many of the 1,400 Government Depository Libraries across the country.

General wage determinations issued under the Davis-Bacon and related Acts are available electronically at no cost on the Government Printing Office site at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/davisbacon>. They are also available electronically by