

for the proper performance of the functions of the Bureau of Justice Statistics, 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;
- Evaluate whether and if so how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; 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.

Overview of This Information Collection

1. *Type of Information Collection:* Revision of a currently approved collection, with change; comments requested.
 2. *The Title of the Form/Collection:* COPS Extension Request Form.
 3. *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* None. U.S. Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Office.
 4. *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Law enforcement agencies and other COPS grants recipients that have grants expiring within 90 days of the date of the form/request. The extension request form will allow recipients of COPS grants the opportunity to request a "no-cost" time extension in order to complete the federal funding period and requirements for their grant/cooperative agreement award. Requesting and/or receiving a time extension *will not* provide additional funding.
 5. *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* It is estimated that approximately 2,700 respondents annually will complete the form within 30 minutes.
 6. *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 1,350 total annual burden hours (0.5 hours × 2700 respondents + 1,350 total burden hours).
- If additional information is required contact: Melody Braswell, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Two Constitution

Square, 145 N Street NE, Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: August 15, 2018.

Melody Braswell,

Department Clearance Officer for PRA, U.S. Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging Proposed Consent Decree

In accordance with Departmental Policy, 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. Richard M. Osborne, Sr., et al.*, Case No. 1:11-cv-2039-CAB, was lodged with the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio on August 10, 2018.

This proposed Consent Decree concerns a complaint filed by the United States against Defendants Richard M. Osborne, Sr., Great Plains Exploration, LLC, Center Street Investments, Inc., Callendar Real Estate Development Company, LLC, and Osair, Inc., pursuant to Sections 301(a), 309(b), and 309(d) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311(a), 1319(b), and 1319(d), to obtain injunctive relief from and impose civil penalties against the Defendants for violating the Clean Water Act by discharging pollutants without a permit into waters of the United States. The proposed Consent Decree resolves these allegations by requiring the Defendants to restore the impacted areas and pay a civil penalty.

The Department of Justice will accept written comments relating to this proposed Consent Decree for thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this Notice. Please address comments to Phillip R. Dupré, United State Department of Justice, Environment and Natural Resources Division, Post Office Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611 and refer to *United States v. Richard M. Osborne, Sr., et al.*, Case No. 1:11-cv-2039-CAB, DJ #90-5-1-1-18628.

The proposed Consent Decree may be examined at the Clerk's Office, United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, Carl B. Stokes United States Courthouse, 801 West Superior Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44113. In addition, the proposed Consent Decree may be examined electronically at

http://www.justice.gov/enrd/Consent_Decrees.html.

Cherie L. Rogers,

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

Petitions for Modification of Application of Existing Mandatory Safety Standard

AGENCY: Mine Safety and Health Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice is a summary of a petition for modification submitted to the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) by the party listed below.

DATES: All comments on the petition must be received by MSHA's Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances on or before September 19, 2018.

ADDRESSES: You may submit your comments, identified by "docket number" on the subject line, by any of the following methods:

1. *Email:* zzMSHA-comments@dol.gov. Include the docket number of the petition in the subject line of the message.

2. *Facsimile:* 202-693-9441.

3. *Regular Mail or Hand Delivery:* MSHA, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 201 12th Street South, Suite 4E401, Arlington, Virginia 22202-5452, Attention: Sheila McConnell, Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances. Persons delivering documents are required to check in at the receptionist's desk in Suite 4E401. Individuals may inspect a copy of the petition and comments during normal business hours at the address listed above.

MSHA will consider only comments postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service or proof of delivery from another delivery service such as UPS or Federal Express on or before the deadline for comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara Barron, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances at 202-693-9447 (voice), barron.barbara@dol.gov (email), or 202-693-9441 (fax). [These are not toll-free numbers.]

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 and Title 30 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 44

govern the application, processing, and disposition of petitions for modification.

I. Background

Section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Mine Act) allows the mine operator or representative of miners to file a petition to modify the application of any mandatory safety standard to a coal or other mine if the Secretary of Labor (Secretary) determines that:

1. An alternative method of achieving the result of such standard exists which will at all times guarantee no less than the same measure of protection afforded the miners of such mine by such standard; or

2. That the application of such standard to such mine will result in a diminution of safety to the miners in such mine.

In addition, the regulations at 30 CFR 44.10 and 44.11 establish the requirements and procedures for filing petitions for modification.

II. Petition for Modification

Docket Number: M-2018-006-M.

Petitioner: U.S. Silica Company, 838 VFW Drive, Festus, Missouri 63028.

Mines: Festus Plant, MSHA I.D. No. 23-02377, located in Jefferson County, Missouri.

Regulation Affected: 30 CFR 56.13020 (Use of compressed air).

Modification Request: The petitioner requests a modification of the existing standard to permit an alternative method using a Clothes Cleaning Process that removes dust from a miner's clothing.

The petitioner states that:

(1) The proposed alternative method has been developed jointly between Unimin Corporation and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH and successfully tested by NIOSH to reduce a miner's exposure to respirable dust, thus reducing the miner's health risks. The system consists of four major components: a cleaning booth, an air spray manifold, an air reservoir, and an exhaust ventilation system.

(2) Only miners trained in the operation of the cleaning booth will be permitted to use the booth to clean their clothes.

(3) Petitioner will incorporate the Clothes Cleaning Process and manufacturer's instruction manuals into their MSHA Part 48b training plan and train affected miners in the process.

(4) Miners entering the booth will examine valves and nozzles for damage or malfunction and will close the door fully before opening the air valve. Any defects will be repaired prior to the booth being used.

(5) Miners entering the booth will wear eye protection, ear plugs or muffs for hearing protection, and respiratory protection. Respiratory protection will consist of a full-face or half-mask respirator that meets or exceeds the minimum requirements of a N95 filter to which the miner has been fit-tested. As an alternative, the use of a full-face respirator will meet the requirements for eye protection. A sign will be conspicuously posted requiring the above personal protective equipment when the booth is entered.

(6) Air flow through the booth will be at least 2,000 cubic feet per minute to maintain negative pressure during use of the cleaning system in order to prevent contamination of the environment outside the booth. Airflow will be in a downward direction, thereby moving contaminants away from the miner's breathing zone.

(7) Air pressure through the spray manifold will be limited to 30 pounds per square inch or less. A lock box with a single, plant manager controlled key will be used to prevent regulator tampering.

(8) The air spray manifold will consist of schedule 80 steel pipe that has a failure pressure of 1,300 pounds per square inch and will be capped at the base and actuated by an electrically controlled ball valve at the top.

(9) Air nozzles must not exceed 30 pound(s) per square inch gauge.

(10) The upper most spray of the spray manifold will be located below the booth users breathing zone. Some type of mechanical device can be used to cover the upper air nozzles to meet the specific height of the user.

(11) Air nozzles will be guarded to eliminate the possibility of incidental contact, which could create mechanical damage to the air nozzles during the clothes cleaning process.

(12) Petitioner will conduct periodic maintenance checks of the booth in accordance with the recommendations contained in the manufacturer's instruction manual.

(13) The air reservoir tank supplying air to the manifold system will be of sufficient volume to permit no less than 20 seconds of continuous cleaning time.

(14) An appropriate hazard warning sign will be posted on the booth to state at a minimum, "Compressed Air" and "Respirable Dust".

(15) A pressure relief valve designed for the booth's air reservoir will be installed.

(16) The mine will exhaust dust-laden air from the booth into a local exhaust ventilation system or duct outside the facility while ensuring there is no re-entrainment back into the structure.

The petitioner asserts that proposed alternative method will at all times guarantee no less than the same measure of protection afforded by the standard.

Sheila McConnell,

Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Security From a Wireless Spectrum Perspective: Technology Innovation and Policy Research Needs

AGENCY: The Networking and Information Technology Research and Development (NITRD) National Coordination Office (NCO), National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This workshop will focus on the R&D challenges of securing the wireless spectrum access medium to assure spectrum availability, reliability and performance over wireless links. Representatives from Federal agencies, academia and the private sector will discuss the current technologies, tools and practices that are effective, and identify the gaps and issues that will require additional research.

DATES: September 13, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wendy Wigen at (202) 459-9683 or wigen@nitrd.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Overview: This notice is issued by the National Coordination Office for the Networking and Information Technology Research and Development (NITRD) Program. Agencies of the Wireless Spectrum R&D Interagency Working Group are conducting a workshop focused on security from a wireless spectrum perspective. Experts from government, private industry, and academia will help discuss the current technology, tools and practices that are effective, and identify gaps and issues that will require additional research to resolve. The workshop will take place on September 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at the NITRD office, 490 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Suite 8001 (8th Floor), Washington, DC 20024. Participation is by invitation only but observers are welcome on a first come first served basis. This event will be webcast. The agenda and information