

8. Lone Mountain Processing, Inc.

[Docket No. M-98-35-C]

Lone Mountain Processing, Inc., P.O. Box 40, Pennington Gap, Virginia 24277 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.350 (air courses and belt haulage entries) to its Huff Creek No. 1 Mine (I.D. No. 15-17234), and its Darby Fork Mine No. 1 (I.D. No. 15-02263) both located in Harlan County, Kentucky. The petitioner proposes to use belt air to ventilate working sections. The petitioner proposes to install a low-level carbon monoxide detection system as an early warning fire detection system in belt entries. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

9. Performance Coal Company

[Docket No. M-98-36-C]

Performance Coal Company, P.O. Box 69, Naoma, West Virginia 25140 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.350 (air courses and belt haulage entries) to its Upper Big Branch Mine-South (I.D. No. 46-08436) located in Raleigh County, West Virginia. The petitioner proposes to use an alternative method of ventilation that would not separate the belt haulage entry from the intake air course, nor limit the velocity of the air coursed through the belt haulage entry, nor prohibit the use of such air for ventilation of active working places. The petitioner proposes to install a low-level carbon monoxide detection system in all belt entries used as intake air courses. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

10. CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc.

[Docket No. M-98-37-C]

CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc., Consol Plaza, 1800 Washington Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15241-1421 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1101-8 (water sprinkler systems; arrangement of sprinklers) to its Motts Branch Mine (I.D. No. 15-18012) located in Knott County, Kentucky. The petitioner proposes to use a single line of automatic sprinklers for its fire protection system on the main and secondary belt conveyors at the Motts Branch Mine. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

Request for Comments

Persons interested in these petitions are encouraged to submit comments via e-mail to "comments@msha.gov", or on a computer disk along with an original hard copy to the Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, Mine Safety and Health Administration, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Room 627, Arlington, Virginia 22203. All comments must be postmarked or received in that office on or before June 26, 1998. Copies of these petitions are available for inspection at that address.

Dated: May 18, 1998.

Patricia W. Silvey,*Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.*

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Occupational Safety and Health Administration****Notice of Meeting****AGENCY:** Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.**ACTION:** Notice of a technical workshop; controlling environmental tobacco smoke exposure in the hospitality industry.

SUMMARY: The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) is sponsoring a technical panel to discuss ventilation engineering controls for environmental tobacco smoke (ETS) in the hospitality sector. This meeting, which is in the form of a workshop, will be moderated by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH). The workshop proceedings on recommended and feasible ventilation engineering controls for the reduction of occupational ETS exposures in the hospitality industry will be published by ACGIH for the public.

DATES: The workshop will be held on June 7, 8, and 9, 1998, beginning at 8:30 a.m. each day and ending at approximately 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held at the Drawbridge Inn, 1-75 at Buttermilk Pike, Fort Mitchell, Kentucky 41017 (Phone 606-341-2800). The conference contact is Alexis Callender, American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, 1330 Kemper Meadow Dr., Suite 600, Cincinnati, Ohio 45240; Phone: 513-742-2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The conference contact is Alexis Callender,

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

On April 5, 1994, OSHA published a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Indoor Air Quality (59 FR 15968). The proposal included a comprehensive standard that would mandate the proper operation and maintenance of building systems, require control of point sources of pollutants, and require control of exposures from air pollutants generated by renovation and remodeling activities. The proposal also indicated the conditions under which smoking could be allowed in the workplace. For example, if smoking were allowed in a workplace, the employer would be required to establish designated smoking areas and permit smoking only in such areas. The areas would have to be enclosed and exhausted directly to the outside and maintained under negative pressure sufficient to contain tobacco smoke. In addition, employees could not be required to enter the designated smoking areas as part of their normal work activities [59 FR at 16037].

The ETS provisions of the proposal received a substantial number of comments. Information submitted to OSHA during the comment period and public hearing indicated that the ETS provisions were feasible for many employers. However, it became apparent to OSHA that in businesses where there is substantial contact between customers who smoke and workers (e.g., food, beverage and gaming industries), this provision was not easily applied as written. During the hearing, OSHA asked representatives of the hospitality industry for information on engineering and administrative controls that could be used to protect workers. Little information on feasible engineering and work practice controls for this industry was submitted to the Agency in response to these requests.

OSHA needs more information on this issue and is therefore sponsoring a workshop on ventilation engineering controls for reducing ETS exposure in the hospitality industry, which will be run under the auspices of the ACGIH. The ACGIH will assemble a panel of experts to identify issues and obtain information to help OSHA resolve feasibility issues raised by the application of the proposal to the hospitality industry. It is the intent of OSHA that the workshop results will be published for the use of professionals who have responsibility for reducing

occupational exposures to ETS in these sectors.

Public Attendance

Interested persons are invited to attend the ventilation workshop. The ACGIH has indicated that 50 seats will be available for observers. Because of the limited amount of seating available, space will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. However, if there are more requests to attend than space available, the ACGIH will give preference to technical experts. No organization will be permitted more than one observer unless there is space available after all admissions requests are filled. All individuals who wish to attend must contact Alexis Callender, American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, no later than May 28, 1998 to register for this workshop. Admittance to the workshop will be limited to those duly registered.

Individuals with disabilities wishing to attend should contact Alexis Callender, no later than May 28, 1998 to obtain appropriate accommodations.

The Workshop

The panel will consist of ventilation engineers experienced in various aspects of ventilation engineering controls currently used in general industry, and facility management representatives from the restaurant, bar, and gambling establishments. The panel discussions will be chaired by a member of the ACGIH's Committee on Industrial Ventilation. Panel participants were chosen for their technical expertise and experience in this area. This workshop is technical in nature. The public is invited to observe the proceedings, but participation in the discussion is limited to panel members.

Workshop Agenda

On the first day, each panelist will deliver a 15 minute presentation. These presentations will cover various topics, including historical perspectives of ACGIH's Industrial Ventilation Guide; local source capture vs. general dilution ventilation; make up air (e.g., supply air islands); ventilation performance monitoring; displacement ventilation systems; particulate and gas phase removal; and current practice for design, operations, and maintenance of Heating Ventilation, and Air-Conditioning (HVAC) systems in gaming, restaurant, and beverage (bars) facilities. On the second day of the workshop, working groups will be formed from the panel to explore the technological and economic feasibility of applying current prudent practice for the application of ventilation engineering controls to the

hospitality sector. The third day will involve the summarization of the work completed by the working groups and discussion of how ACGIH plans to incorporate the information into a ventilation guide for the hospitality industry.

Authority and Signature

This document was prepared under the direction of Charles N. Jeffress, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, 20210. It is issued pursuant to section 6(b) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (84 Stat. 1594, 29 U.S.C. 655).

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 19th day of May 1998.

Charles N. Jeffress,

Assistant Secretary of Labor.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: NARA is giving public notice that the agency proposes to request extension of currently approved information collections used by researchers for submitting requests for copies of pages of Ship Passenger Arrival Records, Federal population census schedules through the 1920 census, and Eastern Cherokee Applications of the U.S. Court of Claims, 1906-1909, that are in the National Archives of the United States. The public is invited to comment on the proposed information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before July 27, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to: Paperwork Reduction Act Comments (NHP), Room 3200, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Rd, College Park, MD 20740-6001; or faxed to 301-713-6913; or electronically mailed to tamee.fechhelm@arch2.nara.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the proposed information collections and supporting statements

should be directed to Tamee Fechhelm at telephone number 301-713-6730, ext. 226, or fax number 301-713-6913.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13), NARA invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed information collections. The comments and suggestions should address one or more of the following points: (a) whether the proposed information collections are necessary for the proper performance of the functions of NARA; (b) the accuracy of NARA's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collections; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of information technology. The comments that are submitted will be summarized and included in the NARA request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. In this notice, NARA is soliciting comments concerning the following information collections:

Title: National Archives Order for Copies of Ship Passenger Arrival Records, National Archives Order for Copies of Census Records, and National Archives Order for Copies of Eastern Cherokee Applications.

OMB number: 3095-0027.

Agency form numbers: NATF Forms 81, 82, and 83.

Type of review: Regular.

Affected public: Individuals who wish to order copies of Ship Passenger Arrival Records, Federal population census schedules through the 1920 census, and Eastern Cherokee Applications of the U.S. Court of Claims, 1906-1909, in the National Archives of the United States.

Estimated number of respondents: 12,000.

Estimated time per response: 10 minutes.

Frequency of response: On occasion (when respondent wishes to search for or order copies of Ship Passenger Arrival Records, Federal population census schedules through the 1920 census, and Eastern Cherokee Applications from the U.S. Court of Claims, 1906-1909).

Estimated total annual burden hours: 2,000.

Abstract: The NATF form 81 will be used by researchers to request that NARA search for and make copies of pages from passenger arrival lists in the custody of the National Archives. The