

75.1002 (Installation of electric equipment and conductors; permissibility) to its Mine No. 10A (MSHA I.D. No. 46-08852) located in Webster County, West Virginia. The petitioner proposes to use continuous mining machines with nominal voltage of the power circuits not to exceed 2,400 volts at the Mine No. 10A. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

#### 9. Coastal Coal-West Virginia, LLC

[Docket No. M-2002-110-C]

Coastal Coal-West Virginia, LLC, 61 Missouri Run Road, Cowen, West Virginia 26206 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1002 (Installation of electric equipment and conductors; permissibility) to its Upper Mercer Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 46-08875) located in Webster County, West Virginia. The petitioner proposes to use continuous mining machines with nominal voltage of the power circuits not to exceed 2,400 volts at the Upper Mercer Mine. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

#### 10. Black Energy Coal, Inc.

[Docket No. M-2002-111-C]

Black Energy Coal, Inc., PO Box 159, Dana, Kentucky 41615 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.503 (Permissible electric face equipment; maintenance) and 30 CFR 18.41(f) (Plug and receptacle-type connectors) to its Mine #2 (MSHA I.D. No. 15-18369) located in Pike County, Kentucky. For mobile battery-powered machines, the petitioner proposes to use permanently installed spring-loaded locking devices on the battery plug connectors to prevent unintentional loosening of battery plugs from battery receptacles and to eliminate the potential hazards associated with difficult removal of padlocks during emergency situations. The petitioner asserts that using padlocks instead of spring-loaded locking devices would not result in a diminution of safety to the miners. The petitioner further asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

#### 11. Black Energy Coal, Inc.

[Docket No. M-2002-112-C]

Black Energy Coal, Inc., PO Box 159, Dana, Kentucky 41615 has filed a

petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.503 (Permissible electric face equipment; maintenance) and 30 CFR 18.41(f) (Plug and receptacle-type connectors) to its Mine #3 (MSHA I.D. No. 15-16856) located in Pike County, Kentucky. For mobile battery-powered machines, the petitioner proposes to use permanently installed spring-loaded locking devices on the battery plug connectors to prevent unintentional loosening of battery plugs from battery receptacles and to eliminate the potential hazards associated with difficult removal of padlocks during emergency situations. The petitioner asserts that using padlocks instead of spring-loaded locking devices would not result in a diminution of safety to the miners. The petitioner further asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

#### Request for Comments

Persons interested in these petitions are encouraged to submit comments via e-mail to [comments@msha.gov](mailto: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, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2352, Arlington, Virginia 22209. All comments must be postmarked or received in that office on or before January 27, 2003. Copies of these petitions are available for inspection at that address.

Dated at Arlington, Virginia this 17th day of December 2002.

**Marvin W. Nichols, Jr.,**

*Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

##### Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. NRTL2-98]

##### NSF International; Application for Expansion of Recognition

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the application of NSF International for expansion of its recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory under 29 CFR 1910.7, and presents the Agency's preliminary finding. This preliminary finding does

not constitute an interim or temporary approval of the application.

**DATES:** You may submit comments in response to this notice, or any request for extension of the time to comment, by (1) Regular mail, (2) express or overnight delivery service, (3) hand delivery, (4) messenger service, or (5) FAX transmission (facsimile). Because of security-related problems there may be a significant delay in the receipt of comments by regular mail. Comments (or any request for extension of the time to comment) must be submitted by the following dates:

*Regular mail and express delivery service:* Your comments must be postmarked by January 10, 2003.

*Hand delivery and messenger service:* Your comments must be received in the OSHA Docket Office by January 10, 2003. OSHA Docket Office and Department of Labor hours of operation are 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

*Facsimile and electronic transmission:* Your comments must be sent by January 15, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** *Regular mail, express delivery, hand-delivery, and messenger service:* You must submit three copies of your comments and attachments to the OSHA Docket Office, Docket NRTL2-98, Room N-2625, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. Please contact the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693-2350 for information about security procedures concerning the delivery of materials by express delivery, hand delivery and messenger service.

*Facsimile:* If your comments, including any attachments, are 10 pages or fewer, you may fax them to the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693-1648. You must include the docket number of this notice, Docket NRTL2-98, in your comments.

*Internet access to comments and submissions:* OSHA will place comments and submissions in response to this notice on the OSHA Web page [www.osha.gov](http://www.osha.gov). Accordingly, OSHA cautions you about submitting information of a personal nature (e.g., social security number, date of birth). There may be a lag time between when comments and submissions are received and when they are placed on the Web page. Please contact the OSHA Docket Office at (202)693-2350 for information about materials not available through the OSHA Web page and for assistance in using the Web page to locate docket submissions. Comments and submissions will also be available for

inspection and copying at the OSHA Docket Office at the address above.

*Extension of Comment Period:* Submit requests for extensions concerning this notice to: Office of Technical Programs and Coordination Activities, NRTL Program, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N3653, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. Or fax to (202) 693-1644.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Sherry Nicolas, Office of Technical Programs and Coordination Activities, NRTL Program, Room N3653 at the address shown immediately above for the program, or phone (202) 693-2110.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Notice of Application**

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) hereby gives notice that NSF International (NSF) has applied for expansion of its current recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL). NSF's expansion request covers the use of additional test standards. OSHA's current scope of recognition for NSF may be found in the following informational Web page: <http://www.osha-slc.gov/dts/otpca/nrtl/nsf.html>.

OSHA recognition of an NRTL signifies that the organization has met the legal requirements in section 1910.7 of Title 29, Code of Federal Regulations (29 CFR 1910.7). Recognition is an acknowledgment that the organization can perform *independent* safety testing and certification of the specific products covered within its scope of recognition and is not a delegation or grant of government authority. As a result of recognition, OSHA can accept products "properly certified" by the NRTL.

The Agency processes applications for initial recognition or for expansion or renewal of this recognition following requirements in Appendix A to 29 CFR 1910.7. This appendix requires that the Agency publish two notices in the **Federal Register** in processing an application. In the first notice, OSHA announces the application and provides its preliminary finding and, in the second notice, the Agency provides its final decision on an application. These notices set forth the NRTL's scope of recognition or modifications of this scope. We maintain an informational Web page for each NRTL, which details its scope of recognition. These pages can be accessed from our Web site at <http://www.osha-slc.gov/dts/otpca/nrtl/index.html>.

The most recent notices published by OSHA for NSF's recognition covered an

expansion of recognition, which became effective on June 28, 2000 (65 FR 39944).

The current address of the testing facility (site) that OSHA recognizes for NSF is: NSF International, 789 Dixboro Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48105

**General Background on the Application**

NSF has submitted a request, dated June 25, 2002 (*see* Exhibit 10), to expand its recognition to use 12 additional test standards. The NRTL Program staff has determined that all of the additional test standards will be included in the expansion because they are "appropriate test standards," within the meaning of 29 CFR 1910.7(c). The staff makes such determinations in processing expansion requests from any NRTL. Therefore, OSHA would include 12 standards in the expansion, as listed below.

- UL 73 Motor-Operated Appliances.
- UL 399 Drinking-Water Coolers.
- UL 466 Electric Scales.
- UL 514B Fittings for Cable and Conduit.
- UL 514C Nonmetallic Outlet Boxes, Flush-Device Boxes and Covers.
- UL 514D Cover Plates for Flush-Mounted Wiring Devices.
- UL 541 Refrigerated Vending Machines.
- UL 751 Vending Machines.
- UL 982 Motor-Operated Household Food Preparing Machines.
- UL 1453 Electric Booster and Commercial Storage Tank Water Heaters.
- UL 1563 Electric Spas, Equipment Assemblies, and Associated Equipment.
- UL 1795 Hydromassage Bathtubs.

The designations and titles of the above test standards were current at the time of the preparation of this notice.

OSHA's recognition of NSF, or any NRTL, for a particular test standard is limited to equipment or materials (*i.e.*, products) for which OSHA standards require third party testing and certification before use in the workplace. Consequently, an NRTL's scope of recognition excludes any product(s) that fall within the scope of a test standard, but for which OSHA standards do not require NRTL testing and certification.

A few of the UL test standards listed above also are approved as American National Standards by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). However, for convenience, we use the designation of the standards developing organization (*e.g.*, UL 751) for the standard, as opposed to the ANSI designation (*e.g.*, ANSI/UL 751). Under

our procedures, any NRTL recognized for an ANSI-approved test standard may use either the latest proprietary version of the test standard or the latest ANSI version of that standard. (Contact ANSI or the ANSI Web site (<http://www.ansi.org>) and click "NSSN" to find out whether or not a test standard is currently ANSI-approved.)

**Preliminary Finding on the Application**

NSF has submitted an acceptable request for expansion of its recognition as an NRTL. In connection with this request, OSHA did perform an on-site review of NSF's NRTL testing facility. NRTL Program assessment staff reviewed information pertinent to the request and recommended that NSF's recognition be expanded to include the additional test standards listed above (*see* Exhibit 11).

Following a review of the application file, the assessor's recommendation, and other pertinent documents, the NRTL Program staff has concluded that OSHA can grant to NSF the expansion of recognition as an NRTL to use the additional test standards listed above. The staff, therefore, recommended to the Assistant Secretary that the application be preliminarily approved.

Based upon the recommendations of the staff, the Assistant Secretary has made a preliminary finding that NSF International can meet the requirements, as prescribed by 29 CFR 1910.7, for the expansion of recognition. This preliminary finding does not constitute an interim or temporary approval of the application.

OSHA welcomes public comments, in sufficient detail, as to whether NSF has met the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.7 for expansion of its recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory. Your comments should consist of pertinent written documents and exhibits. To consider a comment, OSHA must receive it at the address provided above (*see ADDRESSES*), no later than the last date for comments (*see DATES* above). Should you need more time to comment, OSHA must receive your written request for extension at the address provided above no later than the last date for comments. You must include your reason(s) for any request for extension. OSHA will limit any extension to 30 days, unless the requester justifies a longer period. We may deny a request for extension if it is frivolous or otherwise unwarranted. You may obtain or review copies of NSF's requests, the on-site review reports, and all submitted comments, as received, by contacting the Docket Office, Room N2625, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S.

Department of Labor, at the above address. Docket No. NRTL2-98 contains all materials in the record concerning NSF's application.

The NRTL Program staff will review all timely comments and, after resolution of issues raised by these comments, will recommend whether to grant NSF's expansion request. The Agency will make the final decision on granting the expansion, and in making this decision, may undertake other proceedings that are prescribed in Appendix A to 29 CFR section 1910.7. OSHA will publish a public notice of this final decision in the **Federal Register**.

Signed at Washington, DC this 11th day of December, 2002.

**John L. Henshaw,**

*Assistant Secretary.*

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## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice: (02-149)]

### Availability of Annual Report on Alternative Fuel Vehicle (AFV) Acquisitions for Fiscal Years 1999, 2000, and 2001

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of NASA's annual report on its alternative fuel vehicle (AFV) acquisitions for fiscal years 1999, 2000, and 2001.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13211-13219) as amended by the Energy Conservation Reauthorization Act of 1998 (Pub. L. 105-388), and Executive Order 13149 (April 2000), "Greening the Government Through Federal Fleet and Transportation Efficiency," NASA's annual AFV reports are available on the following NASA Web site: <http://www.hq.nasa.gov/office/codej/codejlg/afv.htm>.

**ADDRESSES:** Logistics Management Office, NASA Headquarters, Code JG, 300 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20546-0001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** William Gookin, (202) 358-2306, or [wgookin@hq.nasa.gov](mailto:wgookin@hq.nasa.gov).

**Jeffrey E. Sutton,**

*Assistant Administrator for Management Systems.*

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## NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission to OMB for Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** National Credit Union Administration (NCUA).

**ACTION:** Request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The NCUA is resubmitting the following information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). This information collection is published to obtain comments from the public.

**DATES:** Comments will be accepted until January 27, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties are invited to submit written comments to NCUA Clearance Officer or OMB Reviewer listed below:

*Clearance Officer:* Mr. Neil McNamara, (703) 518-6447, National Credit Union Administration, 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-3428. Fax No. 703-518-6489. E-mail: [mcnamara@ncua.gov](mailto:mcnamara@ncua.gov).

*OMB Reviewer:* Mr. Joseph F. Lackey, (202) 395-4741, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10226, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Copies of the information collection requests, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the: NCUA Clearance Officer, Neil McNamara, (703) 518-6447.

It is also available on the following website: [www.NCUA.gov](http://www.NCUA.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Proposal for the following collection of information:

*OMB Number:* 3133-0032.

*Form Number:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

*Title:* Records Preservation. Part 749 of NCUA Regulations directs each credit union to store copies of their members' share and loan balances away from the credit union's premises.

*Respondents:* All credit unions.  
*Estimated No. of Respondents/Record keepers:* 9,984.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per Response:* 2 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* Quarterly.  
*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 19,968.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* \$998,400.

By the National Credit Union Administration Board on December 17, 2002.

**Becky Baker,**

*Secretary of the Board.*

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## NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission to OMB For Revision to a Currently Approved Information Collections; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** National Credit Union Administration (NCUA).

**ACTION:** Request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The NCUA intends to submit the following information collections to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). These information collection are published to obtain comments from the public.

**DATES:** Comments will be accepted until January 27, 2003.

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*OMB Reviewer:* Mr. Joseph F. Lackey, (202) 395-4741, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10226, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Copies of the information collection requests, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the NCUA Clearance Officer, Neil McNamara, (703) 518-6447.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Proposal for the following collection of information:

*OMB Number:* 3133-0142.

*Form Number:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

*Title:* 12 CFR 741.6(c) Requirements for Insurance.

Description: Credit Unions that submit late or inaccurate call reports are required to submit a proposal that describes how it will avoid another late or inaccurate report.