DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. ICR–1218–1099 (2003)]

Standard on Walking-Working Surfaces; Extension of the Office of Management and Budget’s Approval of Information-Collection (Paperwork) Requirements

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

ACTION: Request for comment.

SUMMARY: OSHA requests comment concerning its proposed extension of the information-collection requirements specified by its Standard on Walking-Working Surfaces (29 CFR part 1910, subpart D). This Standard applies to all permanent places of employment, except where domestic, mining, or agricultural work only is performed.

DATES: Comments must be submitted by the following dates:

Hard Copy: Your comments must be submitted (postmarked or received) by September 2, 2003.
Facsimile and electronic transmission: Your comments must be received by September 2, 2003.

ADDRESSES:

I. Submission of Comments

Regular mail, express delivery, hand-delivery, and messenger service: Submit your comments and attachment to the OSHA Docket Office, Docket No. ICR 1218–0199 (2003), Room N–2625, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. OSHA Docket Office and Department of Labor hours of operation are 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., EST.

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, ICR 1218–0199 (2003), in your comments.

Electronic: You may submit comments, but not attachments, through the Internet at http://ecommments.osha.gov/.

You may submit comments in response to this document by (1) hard copy, (2) FAX transmission (facsimile), or (3) electronically through the OSHA webpage. Please note you cannot attach materials such as studies or journal articles to electronic comments. If you have additional materials, you must submit three copies of them to the OSHA Docket Office at the address above. The additional materials must clearly identify your electronic comments by name, date, subject and docket number so we can attach them to your comments. Because of security-related problems there may be a significant delay in the receipt of comments by regular mail. 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.

II. Obtaining Copies of the Supporting Statement for the Information Collection Request

The Supporting Statement for the Information Collection Request is available for downloading from OSHA’s Web site at www.osha.gov. The supporting statement is available for inspection and copying in the OSHA Docket Office, at the address listed above. A printed copy of the supporting statement can be obtained by contacting Theda Kenney at (202) 693–2222.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent (i.e., employer) burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the public 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 minimized, collection instruments are understandable, and OSHA’s estimate of the information-collection burden is correct.

The collections of information contained in the Walking-Working Surfaces standard are necessary to protect workers from the collapse of overloaded floors and the failure of defective portable metal ladders.

Paragraph 1910.22(d)(1) requires that load limits approved by the building official be marked on plates supplied and securely affixed by the owner of the building, or his duly authorized agent, in a conspicuous place in each space to which they relate. The plates are not to be removed or defaced but, if lost, removed, or defaced, they shall be replaced by the owner or his agent.

Under paragraph 1910.26(c)(2)(viii), ladders having defects are to be marked and taken out of service until repaired by either the maintenance department or the manufacturer.

Paragraph 1910.28(e)(3) requires that outrigger scaffolds designed by a registered professional engineer be constructed and erected in accordance with table D–16 of this section. A copy of the detailed drawings and specifications showing the sizes and spacing of members shall be kept on the job.

II. Special Issues for Comment

OSHA has a particular interest in comments on the following issues:

• Whether the proposed information-collection requirements are necessary for the proper performance of the Agency’s functions to protect workers, including whether the information is useful;
• The accuracy of OSHA’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 or other technological information collection and transmission techniques.

In addition, the Agency specifically requests information on the number of portable metal ladders that become defective in one year. Also, the Agency is interested in knowing whether outrigger scaffolds are used in general industry.

III. Proposed Actions

OSHA proposes to extend the Office of Management and Budget’s (OMB) approval of the collection-information requirements specified by the Standard on Walking-Working Surfaces (29 CFR part 1910, subpart D). The Agency 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 these information-collection requirements.

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


OMB Number: 1218–0199.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal Government; Federal Government.

Number of Respondents: 10,000.
Frequency of Recordkeeping: On occasion.
Average Time per Response: Varies from one minute (.02 hour) to three minutes (.05 hour).
Total Annual Hours Requested: 13,832.

IV. Authority and Signature
John L. Henshaw, 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), and Secretary of Labor’s Order No. 5–2002 (67 FR 65008).

Signed at Washington, DC, on June 25th, 2002.
John L. Henshaw,
Assistant Secretary of Labor.
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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Federal Advisory Council on Occupational Safety and Health; Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given of the date and location of the next meeting of the Federal Advisory Council on Occupational Safety and Health (FACOSH), established under Section 1–5 of Executive Order 12196 on February 6, 1980, published in the Federal Register, February 27, 1980 (45 FR 1279). FACOSH will meet on July 17, 2003, starting at 1:30 p.m., in Room N–3437 A/B/C of the Department of Labor’s Frances Perkins Building, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. The meeting will adjourn at approximately 4 p.m., and will be open to the public. All persons wishing to attend this meeting must exhibit photo identification to security personnel.

Agenda items will include:
1. Call to Order
2. Updates on
   a. Federal Executive Initiative
   b. Federal Recordkeeping Change
   c. SHARE Initiative
   d. Federal Safety and Health Council Awards Ceremony and Training Conference
   e. Young Worker Safety and Health Meeting
3. Emergency Response Coordination Development
4. New business
5. Adjournment

Written data, views, or comments may be submitted, preferably with 20 copies, to the Office of Federal Agency Programs at the address provided below. All such submissions, received by July 10, 2003, will be provided to the Federal Advisory Council members and will be included in the record of the meeting.

Anyone wishing to make an oral presentation should notify the Office of Federal Agency Programs by the close of business July 10, 2003. The request should state the amount of time desired, the capacity in which the person will appear, and a brief outline of the content of the presentation. Persons who request the opportunity to address the Federal Advisory Council may be allowed to speak, as time permits, at the discretion of the Chairperson.

Individuals with disabilities who wish to attend the meeting should contact Tom Marple at the address indicated below, if special accommodations are needed.

For additional information, please contact Thomas K. Marple, Director, Office of Federal Agency Programs, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Room N–3622, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210, telephone number (202) 693–2122. An official record of the meeting will be available for public inspection at the Office of Federal Agency Programs.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 25th day of June 2003.
John L. Henshaw,
Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.
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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (03–076)]

NASA Biological and Physical Research Advisory Committee, Space Station Utilization Advisory Subcommittee Meeting

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a meeting of the NASA Biological and Physical Research Advisory Committee, Space Station Utilization Advisory Subcommittee (SSUAS).

DATES: Monday, July 28, 2003, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Tuesday, July 29, 2003, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and July 30, 2003, 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

ADDRESS: Brook Lodge Hotel and Conference Center, 6535 N. 42nd Street, Augusta, MI 49012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Neal Pelli, Code U, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Houston, TX 77058, (281) 483–8388.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. Advance notice of attendance to the Executive Secretary is requested.

The agenda for the meeting will include the following topics:

• ISS Program Status/Plans.
• Research Integrated Plans.
• OBPR Report.
• NASA Strategic Plan and the ISS.
• ISS Program Scientist Report.
• Payloads Office Report.
• Integrated Hardware availability on the ISS.
• Science Officer Report “ Expedition 6.
• Payload Training Schedule.
• Telecon with Investigators.
• Rosaviakosmos Report.
• European Space Agency Report.
• NASDA/GOJ Report.
• CSA Report.
• IFSUSS Discussion.
• ISS Milestones to Support Space Architect’s Plans.
• Re-invention and the Science Risk.
• ISS Research Institute and the ISS Research.
• CAM and its Contents.
• Attached Payloads Program.
• The IRB Process.
• Visiting Cargo Vehicles “ Progress.
• Executive Development of Recommendations.
• Executive SSUAS/IFSUSS and Code U Retreat.
• SSUAS/IFSUSS Recommendations to BPRAC.

It is imperative that the meeting be held on this date to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitor’s register.

June W. Edwards,
Advisor Committee Management Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

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

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

ACTION: Notice.