The BLM will request a 3-year term of approval for this information collection activity. Comments are invited on: (1) The need for the collection of information for the performance of the functions of the agency; (2) the accuracy of the agency’s burden estimates; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the information collection burden on respondents, such as use of automated means of collection of the information. A summary of the public comments will accompany our submission of the information collection requests to OMB.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

The following information pertains to this request:

**Title:** Coal Management (43 CFR parts 3400 through 3480).

**OMB Control Number:** 1004–0073.

**Summary:** This collection enables the BLM to learn the extent and qualities of Federal coal resources; evaluate the environmental impacts of coal leasing and development; determine the qualifications of prospective lessees to acquire and hold Federal coal leases; and ensure lessee compliance with applicable statutes, regulations, and lease terms and conditions.

**Frequency of Collection:** On occasion.

**Forms:**
- 3440–1, Application and License to Mine Coal (Free Use);
- 3400–12, Coal Lease.

**Description of Respondents:**
- Applicants for, and holders of, coal exploration licenses;
- Applicants/bidders for, and holders of, coal leases;
- Applicants for, and holders of, licenses to mine coal; and
- Surface owners and State and tribal governments whose lands overlie coal deposits.

**Estimated Annual Responses:** 2,159.

**Estimated Annual Burden Hours:** 39,809.

**Estimated Annual Non-Hour Costs:** $625,883 in document processing fees.

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