III. Current Actions

The Department of Labor seeks approval for the revision of this information collection in order to carry out its responsibility to determine a claimant’s eligibility for compensation under the EEOICPA.

Type of Review: Extension.
Agency: Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs.

Title: Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Act Forms (various).
OMB Number: 1240–0002.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit.

Total Respondents: 57,277.
Total Responses: 60,621.
Estimated Total Burden Hours: 20,539.
Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): $0.
Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): $27,800.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or published in the Federal Register. They will also become a matter of public record.

The Department of Labor seeks comments on the proposed information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Call toll-free number: 1–866–451–4981;

When prompted, enter the following numeric pass code: 9328090043
When connected to the call, please immediately “MUTE” your telephone.

Members of the public are asked to keep their telephones muted to eliminate background noises. To avoid disrupting the meeting, please refrain from placing the call on hold if doing so will trigger recorded music or other sound. From time to time, the Chair may solicit comments from the public.

The following persons have been selected to serve on the Performance Review Board of the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA):

Michael Griffin—Chief of Staff, NEA
Sunil Iyengar—Director, Office of Research & Analysis, NEA
Ronald Luczak—Director, Office of Security, U.S. Department of Education
Teresa Granorvitz—Deputy Office Head, Office of Budget, Finance & Award, National Science Foundation
Jeff Thomas—Assistant Chairman for Planning and Operations, National Endowment for the Humanities

The following persons have been selected to serve on the National Endowment for the Arts Senior Executive Service (SES) Performance Review Board (PRB).

Dated: October 24, 2016.

Kathy N. Daum,
Director, Office of Administrative Services.

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NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: National Mediation Board.

SUMMARY: The Assistant Chief of Staff, Administration invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments within 60 days from the date of this publication.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget
(OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency’s ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Assistant Chief of Staff, Administration publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Currently, the National Mediation Board is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the Application for Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Services and is interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the agency; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the agency enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the agency minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: October 25, 2016.

Samantha Jones,
Assistant Chief of Staff, Administration, National Mediation Board.

A. Application for ADR Services


Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: Responses: Estimate about 45 annually.

Burden Hours: 9.

Abstract: The Railway Labor Act, 45 U.S.C., 151a. General Purposes, provides that the purposes of the Act are (1) to avoid any interruption to commerce or to the operation of any carrier engaged therein. * * * (4) to provide for the prompt and orderly settlement of all disputes growing out of grievances or out of the interpretation or application of agreements concerning rates of pay, rules, or working conditions, and (5) to provide for the prompt and orderly settlement of all disputes growing out of grievances or out of the interpretation or application of agreements concerning rates of pay, rules, or working conditions. In fulfilling its role to administer the Act, the National Mediation Board offers the parties to disputes mediation and arbitration services. On a voluntary basis, training programs in Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) and facilitation services are also available. These ADR programs are designed to enhance the bargaining and grievance handling skill level of the disputants and to assist the parties in the resolution of disputes. The impact of these ADR programs is that mediation and arbitration can be avoided entirely or the scope and number of issues brought to mediation or arbitration is significantly reduced. This collection is necessary to confirm the voluntary participation of the parties in the ADR process. The information provided by the parties is used by the NMB to schedule the parties for ADR training and facilitation. Based on a recent survey of those who participated in the NMB’s ADR Programs, 94.6% said they were satisfied with the ADR Programs and said they recommend the program for all negotiators. Collecting the brief information on the Application for ADR Services form allows the parties to voluntarily engage the services of the NMB in the orderly settlement of all disputes and fulfill the purposes of the Act.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from www.nmb.gov or should be addressed to Denise Murdock, NMB, 1301 K Street NW., Suite 250 E, Washington, DC 20005 or addressed to the email address murdock@nmb.gov or faxed to 202–692–5081. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Samantha Jones at 202–692–5010 or via Internet address jones@nmb.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD/TDY) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339.

For further information regarding the EIS:

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding the EIS

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Availability and Notice of Public Meetings for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Arecibo Observatory, Arecibo, Puerto Rico

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of Availability and Notice of Public Meetings.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) has made available for public review and comment the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for Arecibo Observatory. This Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) has been prepared for the National Science Foundation (NSF) to evaluate the potential environmental effects of proposed operational changes due to funding constraints for the Arecibo Observatory in Arecibo, Puerto Rico. The DEIS was prepared in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. Consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) is being conducted concurrent to the NEPA process.

DATES: NSF will accept comments on the DEIS for 45 days following publication of this Notice of Availability. Comments may be submitted verbally during public meetings scheduled for November 16–17 (see SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for more details) or in writing. Substantive comments will be addressed in a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS).

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- Email to: envcomp-AST@nsf.gov with subject line “Arecibo Observatory”

EIS Information: The DEIS, as well as information about the public meetings, is posted at www.nsf.gov/AST. A Spanish translation of the Executive Summary of the DEIS will be posted to the Web site.

A copy of the DEIS will be available for review at the following libraries in Puerto Rico:

Biblioteca Electrónica Pública
Municipal Nicolás Nadal Barreto, 210 Calle Santiago Iglesias, Arecibo, PR, Phone: (787) 878-1178
Archivo General y Biblioteca Nacional de PR, 500 Avenida Juan Ponce De León, San Juan, PR, Phone: (787) 725–1060 ext. 2001

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