

and during the use of nonpermissible electronic testing and diagnostic equipment in or in by the last open crosscut.

(8) Nonpermissible electronic testing and diagnostic equipment will not be used if methane is detected in concentrations at or above one percent. When methane is detected at such levels while the nonpermissible electronic testing and diagnostic equipment is being used, the equipment will be deenergized immediately and withdrawn out by the last open crosscut.

(9) All hand-held methane detectors will be MSHA-approved and maintained in permissible and proper operating condition as defined in 30 CFR 75.320.

(10) Coal production will cease, except for the time necessary to troubleshoot under actual mining conditions. Coal may remain in or on the equipment in order to test and diagnose the equipment under load. Accumulations of coal and combustible materials referenced in 30 CFR 75.400 will be removed before testing begins to provide additional safety to miners.

(11) Nonpermissible electronic test and diagnostic equipment will not be used to test equipment when float coal dust is in suspension.

(12) All electronic and diagnostic equipment will be used in accordance with the manufacturer's recommended safe use procedures.

(13) Qualified personnel engaged in the use of nonpermissible electronic testing and diagnostic equipment will be properly trained to recognize the hazards and limitations associated with the use of such equipment in areas where methane could be present.

(14) The nonpermissible electronic testing and diagnostic equipment will not be put into service until MSHA has inspected the equipment and determined that it is in compliance with all the above terms and conditions.

(15) Cables supplying power to low-voltage testing and diagnostic equipment will only be used when permissible testing and diagnostic equipment is unavailable.

(16) Within 60 days after the Proposed Decision and Order (PDO) becomes final, the petitioner will submit proposed revisions for its approved 30 CFR part 48 training plan to the District Manager. The revisions will specify initial and refresher training regarding the terms and conditions in the PDO.

The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method will at all times guarantee no less than the same

measure of protection afforded by the existing standard.

**Roslyn B. Fontaine,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Mine Safety and Health Administration

#### Petition for Modification

**AGENCY:** Mine Safety and Health Administration, Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice; correction.

**SUMMARY:** This notice amends a notice published in the **Federal Register** on October 30, 2018, for Affirmative Decisions on Petitions for Modification Granted in Whole or in Part.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Roslyn B. Fontaine, 202-693-9440.

#### Correction

A petition for modification for Docket Number M-2017-019-C, for Marfork Coal Company, LLC, 500 Lee Street East, Suite 701 (25301), Post Office Box 2548, Charleston, West Virginia 25329, referenced in the October 30, 2018 **Federal Register** notice on page 54616 in the 1st column, was inadvertently listed in the notice as granted. The petition was not granted.

**Roslyn B. Fontaine,**

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

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Notice of Intent To Seek Approval To Extend an Information Collection

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans to request a new, one time data collection. The primary purpose of this data collection is to provide critical evidence for the Evaluation of the Centers for Chemical Innovation (CCI) Program. The National Science Foundation (NSF) has submitted this information collection requirement to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This is the second notice for public comment; the first was published in the **Federal Register** at 83 FR 27354, and

one comments was received. NSF is forwarding the proposed new information collection submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance simultaneously with the publication of this second notice. The full submission may be found at: <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>.

**DATES:** Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for National Science Foundation, 725-17th Street, NW Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, and Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314, or send email to [splimpto@nsf.gov](mailto:splimpto@nsf.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including federal holidays).

Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling 703-292-7556.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** NSF may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Comments regarding (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology should be addressed to the points of contact in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

*Title of Collection:* 2019 National Survey of College Graduates.

*OMB Number:* 3145-0141.

*Summary of Collection:* The National Survey of College Graduates (NSCG) has been conducted biennially since the 1970s. The 2019 NSCG sample will be selected from the 2017 American Community Survey (ACS) and the 2017 NSCG, providing coverage of the college graduate population residing in the United States. The purpose of this repeated cross-sectional survey is to collect data that will be used to provide national estimates on the science and engineering workforce and changes in their employment, education, and demographic characteristics.

The National Science Foundation Act of 1950, as subsequently amended, includes a statutory charge to “. . . provide a central clearinghouse for the collection, interpretation, and analysis of data on scientific and engineering resources, and to provide a source of information for policy formulation by other agencies of the Federal Government.” The NSCG is designed to comply with these mandates by providing information on the supply and utilization of the nation’s scientists and engineers.

The U.S. Census Bureau, as in the past, will conduct the NSCG for NCSES. The survey data collection will begin in February 2019 using web and mail questionnaires. Non-respondents to the web or mail questionnaire will be followed up by computer-assisted telephone interviewing. The individual’s response to the survey is voluntary. The survey will be conducted in conformance with Census Bureau statistical quality standards and, as such, the NSCG data will be afforded protection under the applicable Census Bureau confidentiality statutes.

*Use of the Information:* NCSES uses the information from the NSCG to prepare congressionally mandated reports such as *Women, Minorities and Persons with Disabilities in Science and Engineering* and *Science and Engineering Indicators*. A public release file of collected data, designed to protect respondent confidentiality, will be made available to researchers on the internet.

*Expected Respondents:* A statistical sample of approximately 148,000 persons will be contacted in 2019. This 148,000 sample is an 18,000 case increase over the sample size listed in the first notice for public comment in the **Federal Register** at 83 FR 27354. The larger sample size is needed to account for non-response in follow-up rounds, to reduce the variance inflation caused when cases thought to be in non-science and engineering (S&E) occupations turn out to be in S&E occupations, and to increase the number

of foreign-earned doctorate recipients in the NSCG sample. NCSES estimates the 2019 NSCG response rate to be 70 to 80 percent.

*Estimate of Burden:* The amount of time to complete the questionnaire may vary depending on an individual’s circumstances; however, on average it will take approximately 30 minutes to complete the survey. NCSES estimates that the total annual burden will be no more than 59,200 hours (=148,000 sample persons × 80% response × 30 minutes) during the 2019 survey cycle.

*Comments:* As required by 5 CFR 1320.8(d), comments on the information collection activities as part of this study were solicited through the publication of a 60-Day Notice in the **Federal Register** on 12 June 2018, at 83 FR 27354. NCSES received one comment on 13 August 2018 from a group representing several organizations. The commenters requested that NCSES include measures of sexual orientation and gender identity on the NSCG and on other NCSES surveys (specifically, the Survey of Doctorate Recipients and the Survey of Earned Doctorates). NCSES informed the commenters that it shares their interest in improving federal data collections and providing reliable measures for important segments of the population. Furthermore, NCSES described its process for evaluating possible questionnaire additions, including the extensive experimentation involved and the time and resources required. Finally, NCSES informed the commenters that it is initiating research to evaluate these measures and does not intend to include them in the 2019 NSCG.

Dated: November 9, 2018.

**Suzanne H. Plimpton,**

*Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.*

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## POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. CP2019–11]

### New Postal Product

**AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is noticing a recent Postal Service filing for the Commission’s consideration concerning a negotiated service agreement. This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

**DATES:** *Comments are due:* November 16, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments electronically via the Commission’s Filing Online system at <http://www.prc.gov>. Those who cannot submit comments electronically should contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section by telephone for advice on filing alternatives.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202–789–6820.

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#### I. Introduction

The Commission gives notice that the Postal Service filed request(s) for the Commission to consider matters related to negotiated service agreement(s). The request(s) may propose the addition or removal of a negotiated service agreement from the market dominant or the competitive product list, or the modification of an existing product currently appearing on the market dominant or the competitive product list.

Section II identifies the docket number(s) associated with each Postal Service request, the title of each Postal Service request, the request’s acceptance date, and the authority cited by the Postal Service for each request. For each request, the Commission appoints an officer of the Commission to represent the interests of the general public in the proceeding, pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505 (Public Representative). Section II also establishes comment deadline(s) pertaining to each request.

The public portions of the Postal Service’s request(s) can be accessed via the Commission’s website (<http://www.prc.gov>). Non-public portions of the Postal Service’s request(s), if any, can be accessed through compliance with the requirements of 39 CFR 3007.301.<sup>1</sup>

The Commission invites comments on whether the Postal Service’s request(s) in the captioned docket(s) are consistent with the policies of title 39. For request(s) that the Postal Service states concern market dominant product(s), applicable statutory and regulatory requirements include 39 U.S.C. 3622, 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR part 3010, and 39 CFR part 3020, subpart B. For request(s) that the Postal Service states concern

<sup>1</sup> See Docket No. RM2018–3, Order Adopting Final Rules Relating to Non-Public Information, June 27, 2018, Attachment A at 19–22 (Order No. 4679).