

Service Group. The Elizabeth, New Jersey location of International Service became known as the Home Furnishing Division and continues to layoff workers.

Accordingly, the Department is amending the certification determination to correctly identify the new ownership to read "Economy Color Card Co., Inc. now known as International Service Group, Home Furnishing Division," Elizabeth, New Jersey, and provide coverage to those workers producing sample books of wallpaper and fabrics.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Economy Color Card Co., Inc. now known as International Service Group, Home Furnishing Division who were adversely affected by increased imports.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-34,618 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Economy Color Card Co., Inc., now known as International Service Group, Home Furnishing Division, Elizabeth, New Jersey engaged in employment related to the production of sample books of wallpaper and fabrics, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after June 10, 1996 through July 18, 1999, are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 2nd day of September, 1999.

**Edward A. Tomchick,**

*Program Manager, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

#### Disability Employment Grant Program: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation process to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This process helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired

format, reporting burdens are minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is soliciting comments concerning the reporting requirements for the Disability Initiatives Employment Grant Program for the FY 2000 funding period. The reports submitted for comment include the quarterly Activity and Placement Report (APR) and annual Participant Characteristics Report (PCR).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSEE** section below on or before November 23, 1999, 60 days after date of publication in the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESSEE:** Alexandra K. Kielty, Chief, Disability Employment and Initiatives Unit, Room N-4641, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210. Telephone: (202) 219-5500 ext 125 (VOICE) or (202) 219-6338 (FAX) (these are not toll-free numbers) or Email: akielty@doleta.gov

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Background

The Employment and Training Administration of the Department of Labor is considering implementing reporting requirements for the Disability Employment Grant Program for the fiscal years 1999 and 2000. Reporting impacts 15 grants for the last two years of a three year grant cycle which began July 1, 1998. The grants are awarded for one year plus two option years. These reports will also be used for similar disability related grants administered by ETA.

#### II. Review Focus

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's burden estimate for the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological

collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

#### III. Current Actions

The proposed Information Collection Request establishes reporting requirements for this discretionary grant program which is funded under Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) Title III and IV appropriations. The Activity and Placement Report (APR) includes information of the number of participants being served, activities and services provided, and planned outcomes. The Participant Characteristics Report (PCR) covers information on age, race, educational level and types of disability.

Paperwork burden are included in the following paperwork burden estimates. For ease of analysis, the burden estimate is presented separately for each report. In addition to these reports, grantees are required to provide a quarterly Financial Status Report (FSR), SF 269 which is approved under OMB Clearance #0348-0039.

*Type of Review:* Initial OMB Approval.

*Agency:* Employment and Training Administration.

*Title:* Disability Initiatives Employment Grant Program.

*OMB Number:* None.

*Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:* 17.248.

*Frequency:* Quarterly for Activity and Placement Report (APR) Annually for participant Characteristic Report (PCR).

*Affected Public:* National organizations that engage in employment and training services for people with disabilities to obtain competitive employment under grants awarded by the Department of Labor.

*Number of Respondents:* 15.

*Total Responses:* 75; 15 respondents  $\times$  4 Quarterly Reports = 60 + (15 respondents  $\times$  1 annual report) = 75 Annual Responses.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 100 Hours; 20 Hours  $\times$  4 APRs + (20hrs.PCR) = 100hrs.per respondent.

*Total Burden Hours:* 1,050 hr. (Note: Estimate is based on having 20 respondents).

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* \$0.00.

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining):* \$1,890.00.

*Description:* This OMB Approval application concerns the submission of the Activity and Placement Report (APR) and the Participant Characteristic Report (PCR) to the disability Employment Initiative Grant Programs which gives partial funds to National organizations that engaged in

employment training and services for people with disabilities to obtain competitive employment. The Activity and Placement Report (APR) gives the number of participants being served, activities and services provided, and placement outcomes. The Participant Characteristics Report (PCR) gives participant information in age, race, type of disability, etc. These funds are taken from the Job Training and Partnership Act (JTPA) Title III and IV. Under Title III of JTPA there is a requirement to have grantees complete quarterly an Activity Placement Report (APR) [29 U.S.C. 1732(2)(c)(III)] and a Standard Form 269 (SF-269). A Participant Characteristic Report (PCR) is submitted annually to provide an overview of participants that were served during the program year [29 U.S.C. 1732(2)(c)(III)]. Respondents submit a narrative as part of the quarterly report package. The narrative states activities of the participants in the organization during the previous three months.

Signed at Washington, DC this 15th day of September, 1999.

**Anna W. Goddard,**

*Director, Office of Special Targeted Programs.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment Standards Administration

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Employment Standards Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension collections of form C-910, Request to be Selected as Payee. A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by

contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before November 25, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Ms. Patricia A. Forkel, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave., N.W., Room S-3201, Washington, D.C. 20210, telephone (202) 693-0339 (this is not a toll-free number), 200 Constitution Ave., N.W., Room S-3201, Washington, D.C. 20210, telephone (202) 693-0339 (this is not a toll-free number), fax (202) 693-1451.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Request To Be Selected as Payee

##### I. Background

Benefits are payable by the Department of Labor to coal miners who are totally disabled due to pneumoconiosis and to certain survivors of a miner under the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977, as amended. If a beneficiary is incapable of handling his/her affairs, the person or institution responsible for his/her care is required to apply to receive the benefit payments on the beneficiary's behalf. The CM-910, Request to be Selected as Payee, is the form completed by representative payee applicants.

##### II. Review Focus

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- 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, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

##### III. Current Actions

The Department of Labor seeks the extension of approval to collect this information in order to assess the applicant's ability to undertake the

responsibilities of a representative payee.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Agency:* Employment Standards Administration.

*Title:* Request to Be Selected as Payee.

*OMB Number:* 1215-0166.

*Agency Number:* CM-910.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; Businesses or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal government.

*Total Respondents:* 2,350.

*Frequency:* One time.

*Total Responses:* 2,350.

*Average Time per Response:* 20 minutes.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 783.

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* \$0.

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance):* \$846.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: September 14, 1999.

**Margaret J. Sherrill,**

*Chief, Branch of Management Review and Internal Control, Division of Financial Management, Office of Management, Administration and Planning, Employment Standards Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration

#### Working Group on the Benefit Implications Due to the Growth of a Contingent Workforce Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefits Plans; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to the authority contained in Section 512 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. 1142, the Working Group assigned by the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans to study what the benefit implications are due to the growth of a contingent workforce will hold an open public meeting on Tuesday, October 5, 1999, in Room N3437 A-B, U.S. Department of Labor Building, Second and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210.

The purpose of the open meeting, which will run from 9:30 a.m. to approximately noon, is for Working Group members to begin drafting its