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 submission of responses.

Agency: Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a previously approved collection.

Title of Collection: Process Safety Management of Highly Hazardous Chemicals (PSM) (29 CFR 1910.119).

OMB Control Number: 1218-0200.

Affected Public: Business or other forprofits.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 7.562.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 4,795,505.

Estimated Total Annual Costs Burden (excludes hourly wage costs): \$0.

Description: The purpose of the collection of information requirements in the PSM Standard (29 CFR 1910.119) are to ensure that employers collect the information necessary to control and reduce injuries and fatalities in workplaces that have the potential for highly hazardous chemical catastrophes. For additional information, see the related 60-day preclearance notice published in the Federal Register at Vol. 74 FR 46621 on September 10. 2009. PRA documentation prepared in association with the preclearance notice is available on http:// www.regulations.gov under docket number OSHA-2009-0016.

Darrin A. King,

Departmental Clearance Officer. [FR Doc. E9–30637 Filed 12–24–09; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Request for Certification of Compliance—Rural Industrialization Loan and Grant Program

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Employment and Training Administration is issuing this notice to announce the receipt of a "Certification of Non-Relocation and Market and Capacity Information Report" (Form 4279–2) for the following:

Applicant/Location: Genesis Poly Recycling/Mankato, Minnesota.

Principal Product/Purpose: The loan, guarantee, or grant application is to enable a new business venture to acquire the equipment needed to collect and convert agricultural plastics into pellets to be used in the manufacture of new products. The NAICS industry code for this enterprise is: 325991 Custom Compounding of Purchased Resins.

DATES: All interested parties may submit comments in writing no later than January 11, 2010. Copies of adverse comments received will be forwarded to the applicant noted above.

ADDRESSES: Address all comments concerning this notice to Anthony D. Dais, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room S–4231, Washington, DC 20210; or e-mail Dais. Anthony@dol.gov; or transmit via fax (202) 693–3015 (this is not a toll-free number).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Anthony D. Dais, at telephone number (202) 693–2784 (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 188 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act of 1972, as established under 29 CFR Part 75, authorizes the United States Department of Agriculture to make or guarantee loans or grants to finance industrial and business activities in rural areas. The Secretary of Labor must review the application for financial assistance for the purpose of certifying to the Secretary of Agriculture that the assistance is not calculated, or likely, to result in: (a) A transfer of any employment or business activity from one area to another by the loan applicant's business operation; or, (b) An increase in the production of goods, materials, services, or facilities in an

area where there is not sufficient demand to employ the efficient capacity of existing competitive enterprises unless the financial assistance will not have an adverse impact on existing competitive enterprises in the area. The Employment and Training Administration within the Department of Labor is responsible for the review and certification process. Comments should address the two bases for certification and, if possible, provide data to assist in the analysis of these issues.

Signed: at Washington, DC, this 18th day of December 2009.

Jane Oates

Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employee Benefits Security Administration

Publication of Year 2009 Form M-1 With Electronic Filing Option, Notice

AGENCY: Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor. **ACTION:** Notice on the availability of the Year 2009 Form M–1 with electronic filing option.

SUMMARY: This document announces the availability of the Year 2009 Form M-1, Annual Report for Multiple Employer Welfare Arrangements and Certain Entities Claiming Exception. It is substantively identical to the 2008 Form M-1. The Form M-1 may again be filed electronically over the Internet.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For inquiries regarding the Form M–1 filing requirement, contact Amy J. Turner or Beth L. Baum, Office of Health Plan Standards and Compliance Assistance, at (202) 693–8335. For inquiries regarding how to obtain or file a Form M–1, see the Supplementary Information section below.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Form M-1 is required to be filed under section 101(g) and section 734 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA), and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.

II. The Year 2009 Form M-1

This document announces the availability of the Year 2009 Form M– 1, Annual Report for Multiple Employer Welfare Arrangements (MEWAs) and Certain Entities Claiming Exception (ECEs). This year's Form M-1 is substantively identical to the Year 2008 Form M-1. The electronic filing option has been retained and filers are encouraged to use this method. The Year 2009 Form M-1 is due March 1, 2009, with an extension until May 3, 2009 available.

The Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA) is committed to working together with administrators to help them comply with this filing requirement. Copies of the Form M-1 are available on the Internet at http:// www.dol.gov/ebsa/forms requests.html. In addition, after printing, copies will be available by calling the EBSA toll-free publication hotline at 1-866-444-EBSA (3272). Questions on completing the form are being directed to the EBSA help desk at (202) 693-8360. For questions regarding the electronic filing capability, contact the EBSA computer help desk at (202) 693-8600.

Statutory Authority: 29 U.S.C. 1021–1024, 1027, 1029–31, 1059, 1132, 1134, 1135, 1181–1183, 1181 note, 1185, 1185a–b, 1191, 1191a–c; Secretary of Labor's Order 6–2009, 74 FR 21524 (May 7, 2009).

Phyllis C. Borzi,

Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Notice of Charter Renewal for Humanities Panel

AGENCY: The National Endowment for the Humanities.

ACTION: Notice of Charter Renewal for Humanities Panel.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, 5 U.S.C. App. 2 (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770), as amended, the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) gives notice that it will renew the charter for the Humanities Panel for two years from December 29, 2009 to December 29, 2011. The Chairman of NEH has determined that the renewal of the Humanities Panel is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed upon the Chairman of NEH by the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, 5 U.S.C. App. 3(2) (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), as amended, and Section 10(a)(4) of the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, 20 U.S.C. 959(a)(4), as amended.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael P. McDonald, Committee

Management Officer, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Room 529, Washington, DC 20506. (*Phone:* (202) 606–8322, facsimile (202) 606–8600, or e-mail to *gencounsel@neh.gov*). Hearing-impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter may be obtained by contacting the NEH's TDD terminal on (202) 606–8282.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Humanities Panel is a Federal advisory committee under 5 U.S.C. App. 2 (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770). The purpose and objective of the Humanities Panel is to advise the National Council on the Humanities and the Chairman of the NEH concerning policies, programs, and procedures of NEH as requested. The Humanities Panel furthermore makes recommendations on applications for financial support submitted to NEH.

Members of the Humanities Panel are selected on the basis of their subject matter expertise in a humanities discipline or on the basis of their experience in a humanities institution, or both, in order to ensure that all applications are reviewed under the highest standards of excellence in the humanities. The NEH selects panelists from a broad range of humanities disciplines (including languages, literature, history, jurisprudence, philosophy, archaeology, comparative religion, ethics, and the history, criticism, and theory of the arts). Panelists also are selected from a wide range of humanities institutions (including colleges, universities, archives, libraries, museums and historical societies). By statute, the Humanities Panel is also required to have broad geographic and culturally diverse representation.

Dated: December 15, 2009.

Michael P. McDonald,

Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. E9–30717 Filed 12–24–09; 8:45 am]

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

AGENCY: National Science Foundation. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), and as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, the National Science Foundation invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on this information collection.

DATES: Written comments should be received by February 26, 2010 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding the information collection and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Suzanne Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Rm. 295, Arlington, VA 22230, or by e-mail to *splimpto@nsf.gov*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Suzanne Plimpton, the NSF Reports Clearance Officer, phone (703) 292–7556, or send e-mail to 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.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Generic Clearance of the Science Resources Statistics Survey Improvement Projects.

OMB Approval Number: 3145–0174. Expiration Date of Approval: February 28, 2010.

Abstract. Generic Clearance of the Science Resources Statistics Survey Improvement Projects. The National Science Foundation's Division of Science Resources Statistics (NSF/SRS) needs to collect timely data on constant changes in the science and technology sector and to provide the most complete and accurate information possible to policy makers in Congress and throughout government and academia. NSF/SRS conducts many surveys to obtain the data for these purposes. The Generic Clearance will be used to ensure that the highest quality data are obtained from these surveys. State-ofthe-art methodology will be used to develop, evaluate, and test questionnaires and survey concepts as well as to improve survey methodology. This may include field or pilot tests of questions for future large-scale surveys, as needed.

Expected Respondents. The respondents will be from industry, academia, nonprofit organizations, members of the public, and State, local, and Federal governments. Respondents will be either individuals or institutions, depending upon the survey under investigation. Qualitative procedures will generally be conducted in person or over the phone, but quantitative procedures may be conducted using mail, Web, e-mail, or phone modes, depending on the topic