DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for 1029-0083; Request for Comments

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE) is announcing its intention to request renewed approval to collect information on the certification of blasters in Federal program states and on Indian lands, and the related form.

DATES: Comments on the proposed information collection must be received by [insert date 60 days from date of publication in the Federal Register], to be assured of consideration.
ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to John Trelease, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Ave, NW, Room 203 - SIB, Washington, DC 20240. Comments may also be submitted electronically to jtrelease@osmre.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To receive a copy of the information collection request contact John Trelease at (202) 208-2783, or by e-mail at jtrelease@osmre.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR part 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities [see 5 CFR 1320.8 (d)]. This notice identifies an information collection that OSMRE will be submitting to OMB for approval. This collection is contained in 30 CFR part 955 - Certification of Blasters in Federal program states and on Indian lands, and Form OSM-74. OSMRE will request a 3-year term of approval for each information collection activity.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control number for 30 CFR part 955 and Form OSM-74 is 1029-0083, and is
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 OSM's submission of the information collection request 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.

This notice provides the public with 60 days in which to comment on the following information collection activity:

**Title:** 30 CFR Part 955 - Certification of blasters in Federal program states and on Indian lands.

**OMB Control Number:** 1029-0083.

**Summary:** This information is being collected to ensure that the applicants for blaster
certification are qualified. This information, with blasting tests, will be used to determine the eligibility of the applicant.

**Bureau Form Number:** OSM-74.

**Frequency of Collection:** On occasion.

**Description of Respondents:** Individuals intent on being certified as blasters in Federal program States and on Indian lands.

**Total Annual Responses:** 19.

**Total Annual Burden Hours:** 19.

**Total Annual Non-Wage Burden Cost:** $1,525.

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