



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement

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OMB Control Number 1014-0003]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Oil and Gas Production Safety Systems

AGENCY: Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE, we) proposes to renew an information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments. To be considered, your comments must be received on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*].

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. Please provide a copy of your comments to Kelly Odom, Acting BSEE ICCO, 45600 Woodland Road, Sterling, VA 20166; or by email to kelly.odom@bsee.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 1014-0003 in the subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kelly Odom by email at kelly.odom@bsee.gov, or by telephone at (703) 787-17775. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals

outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States. You may also view the ICR at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the PRA and 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), we provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

A Federal Register notice with a 60-day public comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on August 30, 2024, (89 FR 70664). No comments were received.

As part of our continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, we are again soliciting comments from the public and other Federal agencies on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comment addressing the following:

- (1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;
- (2) The accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) How might the agency 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 response.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. 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.

Abstract: The regulations at 30 CFR part 250, subpart H concern oil and gas production safety systems and are the subject of this collection. The authority and responsibility for issuing these regulations are among those delegated to BSEE. This request also covers any related notices to lessees and operators (NTLs) that BSEE issues to clarify, supplement, or provide additional guidance on some aspects of our regulations.

BSEE uses the information collected under subpart H to:

- review safety system designs prior to installation to ensure that minimum safety standards will be met;
- evaluate equipment and/or procedures used during production operations;
- review records of erosion control to ensure that erosion control programs are effective;
- review plans to ensure safety of operations when more than one activity is being conducted simultaneously on a production facility;
- review records of safety devices to ensure proper maintenance during the useful life of that equipment; and
- verify proper performance of safety and pollution prevention equipment.

Title of Collection: 30 CFR Part 250, Subpart H, “Oil and Gas Production Safety Systems.”

OMB Control Number: 1014-0003.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Potential respondents include Federal Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) oil, gas, and sulfur lessees and/or operators and holders of pipeline rights-of-way.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: Currently there are approximately 60 oil and gas drilling and production operators on the OCS. Not all the potential respondents will submit information in any given year, and some may submit multiple times.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 7,454.

Estimated Completion Time per Response: Varies from .5 hour to 41 hours, depending on activity.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 91,250.

Respondent's Obligation: Responses are mandatory.

Frequency of Collection: Submissions are generally on occasion.

Total Estimated Annual Nonhour Burden Cost: \$11,455,906.

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 authority for this action is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

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