

Register pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on January 30, 1985 (50 FR 4281).

The last notification was filed with the Department on March 25, 1996. A notice was published in the Federal Register pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on April 22, 1996 (61 FR 17728).

Constance K. Robinson,

*Director of Operations, Antitrust Division.*

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## Drug Enforcement Administration

### Manufacturer of Controlled Substances; Notice of Correction

On March 4, 1996, a Notice of Application for Johnson Matthey, Inc. (Johnson Matthey), Custom Pharmaceuticals Department, 2003 Nolte Drive, West Deptford, New Jersey 08066, was published in the Federal Register requesting registration as a bulk manufacturer of Schedules I and II controlled substances. See 61 FR 8303. The notice invited that comments or objections be filed by May 3, 1996. A correction was subsequently published on June 5, 1996, deleting meperidine (9230) from the list of controlled substances for which Johnson Matthey made application to manufacture in bulk. See 61 FR 28597.

However, Johnson Matthey does wish to be registered as a bulk manufacturer of meperidine. Therefore, meperidine is hereby added to the list of controlled substances for which Johnson Matthey made application to manufacture in bulk.

Any other such applicant and any person who is presently registered with DEA to manufacture meperidine may file comments or objections to the issuance of the above application.

Any such comments or objections may be addressed, in quintuplicate, to the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20537, Attention: DEA Federal Register Representative (CCR), and must be filed no later than August 26, 1996.

Dated: June 18, 1996.

Gene R. Haislip,

*Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Mine Safety and Health Administration

#### Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; Notification of Methane Detected in Mine Atmosphere

**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 Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed reinstatement of the information collection related to the Notification of Methane Detected in Mine Atmospheres. MSHA 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.

A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the employee listed below in the contact section of this notice.

**DATES:** Submit written comments to the office listed in the ADDRESSES section below on or before August 26, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments shall be mailed to Patricia W. Silvey, Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Room 627, Arlington, VA 22203-1984. Commenters are encouraged to send their comments on a computer disk, or via E-mail to [psilvey@msha.gov](mailto:psilvey@msha.gov), along with an original printed copy. Ms. Silvey can be reached at (703) 235-1910 (voice) or (703) 235-5551 (facsimile).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

George M. Fesak, Director, Office of Program Evaluation and Information Resources, U.S. Department of Labor, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Room 715, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22203-1984. Mr. Fesak can be reached at [gfesak@msha.gov](mailto:gfesak@msha.gov) (Internet E-mail), (703) 235-8378 (voice), or (703) 235-1563 (facsimile).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

Sections 103 (c), (i), and (j) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 authorized the recordkeeping and reporting requirements implemented in 30 CFR Part 57, Subpart T—Safety Standards for Methane in Metal and Nonmetal mines. Methane is a flammable gas found in underground mining. Methane is a colorless, odorless, tasteless gas, and it tends to rise to the roof of a mine because it is lighter than air. Although methane itself is nontoxic, its presence reduces the oxygen content by dilution when mixed with air, and consequently can act as an asphyxiant when present in large quantities. Methane mixed with air is explosive in the range of 5 to 15 percent, provided that 12 percent or more oxygen is present. The presence of dust containing volatile matter in the mine atmosphere may further enhance the explosion potential of methane in a mine.

Metal and Nonmetal mine operators are required to notify MSHA when: (a) There is an outburst that results in 0.25 percent or more methane in the mine atmosphere; (b) there is a blowout that results in 0.25 percent or more methane in the mine atmosphere; (c) there is an ignition of methane; (d) air sample results indicate 0.25 percent or more methane in the atmosphere of a Subcategory I-B, I-C, II-B, V-B, or Category VI mine, or (e) methane reaches 2.0 percent in a Category IV mine. MSHA investigates the occurrence to determine that the mine is placed in the proper category to follow appropriate precautionary standards.